

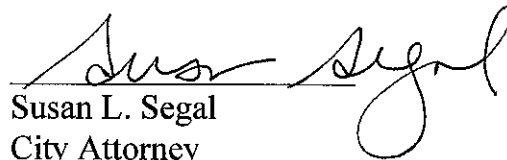


**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: July 10, 2015  
To: Council Member John Quincy, Chair of Ways & Means  
**Subject:** Israel Belachew v. Reuben and City of Minneapolis  
Court File No.: 27-CV-14-19084

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this lawsuit by payment of \$7,500.00 payable to Israel Belachew and his attorneys, The Cody Law Group, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

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City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

**Financial Impact:**(Check those that apply)

Other financial impact (Explain): \$7,500.00 from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145400

**Community Impact:** Other

**Background/Supporting Information:**

This lawsuit arises out of a motor vehicle accident that occurred on February 23, 2012, when Mr. Belachew was struck by a City of Minneapolis Police squad.

Mr. Belachew's vehicle sustained \$2,156.08 in damage. He sustained injuries and incurred in excess of \$7,067.48 in treatment expenses. He continues to suffer difficulties as a result of his injuries.

Following negotiations with his attorney, we have reached a tentative settlement of Mr. Belachew's personal injury lawsuit, including property damage, against the City in the amount of \$7,500.00. This proposed settlement has been discussed with the Police Department and they are in agreement with the terms. We believe that the settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee.

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