



City of Niagara Falls, New York

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

745 Main Street, Niagara Falls, NY 14301

September 14, 2023

The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

RE: Request for approval to settle and pay personal injury lawsuit of Sarfraz Raza.

Date of Occurrence: November 22, 2020

Date Claim Filed: January 13, 2021

Date Action Commenced: November 2, 2021

Nature of Claim: Motor vehicle accident involving Police vehicle.

Location: Westbound lane of Buffalo Avenue, east of the entrance ramp to I-190 north, in the City of Niagara Falls.

City Driver: Christopher McKimmie

Status of Action: This personal injury litigation became trial-ready this summer, at which time a tentative settlement agreement was negotiated between the plaintiffs' counsel and the City's outside trial attorneys.

Recommendation/Reason: The tentative settlement is in the best interest of the City.

Amount to be Paid: \$ 40,000.00

Check Writing Details: Make payable to "Sarfraz Raza and O'Brien & Ford, P.C. as Attorneys."

Conditions: Stipulation of Discontinuance and General Release must be in a form acceptable to the Corporation Counsel.

It is the recommendation of this Department that the above settlement be paid under the terms set forth above. Will Council so approve?

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTOPHER M. MAZUR
Corporation Counsel

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