

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

Resolution authorizing execution of all documents necessary to implement settlement of the claim brought by Cyrus Khaleghi in the lawsuit Khaleghi v. City of Bellevue (King County Superior Court Cause No.17-2-31059-0 SEA).

Kathryn Gerla, City Attorney, 452-7220  
Cheryl Zakrzewski, Assistant City Attorney, 452-2081  
*City Attorney's Office*

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Resolution authorizes settlement of the claim brought by Cyrus Khaleghi related to injuries he sustained on August 8, 2016 in an automobile accident on Highland Drive.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9886

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

This case involves an automobile accident that occurred on Highland Drive on August 8, 2016. Cyrus Khaleghi was a passenger in an automobile that flipped over while traveling at a high rate of speed rendering him a quadriplegic. Mr. Khaleghi claimed that the roadway was improperly designed, constructed, and maintained and that the City was partially responsible for his injury and damages. The settlement of the claims brought by Mr. Khaleghi against the City require payment of \$11,300,000. Of that sum, the City will contribute \$ 1,516,951.66 to satisfy its self-insured retention, and the City's insurance carrier will contribute the remainder of \$ 9,783,048.34.

**POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS****Policy Impact**

Pursuant to Bellevue City Code 4.36.030, settlement and payment of claims exceeding \$75,000 requires the authorization of City Council.

**Fiscal Impact**

The settlement of the claim brought by Cyrus Khaleghi requires a payment of \$1,516,951.66 by the City to satisfy its City's self-insured retention. Sufficient funds exist within the City's 2021-2022 General Self-Insurance Fund adopted budget for this payment.

**OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of all documents necessary to implement settlement of the claim brought by Cyrus Khaleghi in the lawsuit Khaleghi v. City of Bellevue (King County Superior Court Cause No.17-2-31059-0 SEA).
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

## **ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS**

Proposed Resolution No. 9886

## **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY**

Copy of the proposed Settlement Agreement and Release