

ITEM NO. 39

12/07/22 Council – Regular Meeting Agenda
Closed Session

MOTION

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas v. City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles City Controller Ron Galperin, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV24328, (this case concerns Councilmember Ridley-Thomas’s allegations that the City Controller acted outside his authority under the City Charter when he halted the Councilmember’s salary after the City Council suspended the Councilmember), **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to expend up to **\$364,573.50** in settlement of the above-entitled matter.
2. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney’s Office to draw demands from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798 as follows:
 - a. \$99,500 payable to Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP Client Trust Account.
 - b. \$263,551 transfer to Fund No. 100/28, Account 1010 – Salaries (\$131,863 for backpay for the period of time from October 21, 2021 through December 17, 2022; and \$131,688 for future earnings for the period of time from December 18, 2022 through June 30, 2023).
3. AUTHORIZE the Controller’s Office to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/28, Account No. 1010 – Salaries payable to Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas in the amount of \$254,231.85 as gross wages, subject to all applicable taxes, deductions and payroll withholdings.
4. AUTHORIZE the Controller’s Office to draw a demand from Fund No. 100/61, Account No. 9200 – Benefits payable to Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas in the amount of \$1,522.50 as gross payments in lieu of health care, subject to all applicable taxes, deductions and payroll withholdings.
5. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney, or designee, to make necessary technical adjustments, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer, and authorize the Controller to implement the instructions.

This matter was waived from the Budget and Finance Committee.

PRESENTED BY _____

PAUL KREKORIAN
Councilmember, 2nd District

SECONDED BY _____

BOB BLUMENFIELD
Councilmember, 3rd District