

**MOTION**

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled Dawn Swarm v. City of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23SMCV00544. (This matter arises from a trip and fall incident on February 12, 2022, on an uneven portion of the sidewalk in front of 3851 Minerva Avenue, Los Angeles, California.), **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney’s Office to expend up to **\$1,000,000** in settlement, and pay an additional **\$2,974.73, plus accrued interest**, to pay a related judgment against the City for the co-Defendant’s costs, in the above-entitled matter.
2. AUTHORIZE the Controller’s Office to transfer **\$1,002,974.73, plus accrued interest**, from the Liability Claims Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009798, Miscellaneous Liability Payouts, to Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009795, Public Works, Street Services Liability Payouts.
3. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney to draw two demands from Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009795, Public Works, Street Services Liability Payouts, as follows:
  - a. **\$1,000,000** to Hanning & Sacchetto, LLP and Dawn Swarm.
  - b. **\$2,974.73** to The Safarian Firm, APC, **plus accrued interest of seven percent** from August 29, 2025.
4. 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 recommended for approval by the Budget and Finance Committee (Yaroslavsky – Hutt – McOsker – Hernandez: “Yes”; Absent – Blumenfield) at its meeting held on January 20, 2026, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
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TIM McOSKER  
Councilmember, 15th District