

**MOTION**

I HEREBY MOVE that the Council ADOPT the following recommendations in order to effect settlement in the case entitled Edwin Gonzalez, et al. v. Richard Kaufman, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23VECV01423. (This matter arises from a trip and fall incident which occurred on September 16, 2022 at the sidewalk adjacent to 14303 Haynes Street, Van Nuys, California 91401.), **SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:**

1. AUTHORIZE the City Attorney's Office to expend up to **\$850,000 in Fiscal Year 2026-27**, in settlement of the above-entitled matter.
2. AUTHORIZE the Controller's Office to transfer **\$850,000 in Fiscal Year 2026-27**, 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 a demand from Fund No. 100/59, Account No. 009795, Public Works, Street Services Liability Payouts, as follows: Daniel Cheren and Associates, PC, Client Trust Account in the amount of **\$850,000, payable In Fiscal Year 2026-27**. Breakdown is as follows:
  - a. **\$850,000** to Daniel Cheren and Associates, PC, Edwin Gonzalez and Silvia Gonzalez.
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 ["Yes": Yaroslavsky – Blumenfield – Hutt –Hernandez (4); "No": (0); Absent: McOske (1)] at a Special meeting held on March 23, 2026, in Closed Session as permitted by Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1).

PRESENTED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
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Councilmember, 5th District

SECONDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
BOB BLUMENFIELD  
Councilmember, 3rd District