

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ITEM 1, FILE # 031353

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File # 031353 is a resolution authorizing a total payment from the Damages and Claims Special Purpose Account regarding settlement of claims filed relative to the police stop and detention of Barbara J. Brown, which occurred on January 29, 1998.

Background

This resolution authorizes a total payment from the Damages and Claims Special Purpose Account, regarding settlement of claims filed relative to the police stop and detention of Barbara J. Brown, to the claimant and the claimant's attorneys.

Discussion

1. The claimant, Ms. Brown, has maintained that she was unlawfully stopped by Milwaukee police officers on January 29, 1998 and that the police officers used excessive force.
2. The City Attorney has determined that it is in the best interests of the city to settle this case for a sum of \$40,000. This payment is for full and final resolution of this claim and is a result of a mediation process with the claimant.
3. This payment includes attorneys' fees and the claimant's expenses for medical and psychological treatment.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total amount of this resolution is \$40,000, to be expended from the 2004 Damages and Claims Special Purpose Account.
2. The 2004 Damages and Claims SPA is budgeted for \$2.4 million.

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