



DATE: October 6, 2015

TO: Keith Humphrey, Police Chief  
Jeff Bryant, City Attorney

FROM: Brenda Hall, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Claim from Melody Ballard

I am in receipt of a claim from Melody Ballard in the amount of \$10,499 for damages to her vehicle - \$7,500 (lowest estimate \$3,861.59), missed work days - \$336, gas expenses in obtaining estimates - \$88, and pain and suffering - \$10,000 due to her claim that on September 13, 2015, she was struck by a police vehicle on Highway 9 East and 48th Avenue. According to the accident report, Officer Daniel Brown stated he was eastbound on Highway 9 when he pulled over to the shoulder to make a u-turn. He waited for some cars to pass before making the u-turn, but did not see Ms. Ballard's vehicle when he began his u-turn striking her vehicle. Ms. Ballard stated she will have medical expenses and will submit them at a later date.

Keith, I would appreciate your checking with your staff regarding verification of the problem. Please report your findings by written memorandum to me with a copy to Jeff.

Jeff, if it is determined the City has liability in this matter, please signify by writing a report of your recommendations in order that we may schedule this claim as an agenda item.

BH:smr  
attachments

office memorandum