



CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS LAW DEPARTMENT

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City Council
Finance Committee

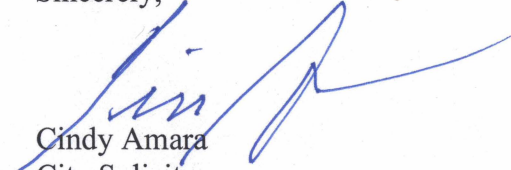
Dear Honorable Members of the Finance Committee:

I write to provide more information connected to Items 24-0767 and 24-0768 requesting approval to settle a claim in excess of \$5,000 per SCO 2-124 and approval of a transfer of \$7,182 from the Unemployment Compensation account to the Law Department Judgments and Settlements account to settle the claim.

This claim arises out of an accident with a Somerville Police Department cruiser. The claimant was travelling behind the cruiser on Hudson Street when an incident in front of the Somerville cruiser occurred. The police officer exited his vehicle in order to approach the vehicle in front of him and mistakenly did not put the vehicle in park. The cruiser reversed into the claimant's vehicle causing damages to his 2021 Toyota Prius.

The claimant does not carry sufficient insurance to cover the damages to his vehicle. He submitted satisfactory estimates for repairs to his vehicle and we have agreed \$7,182 is a fair settlement of his pending claim.

Sincerely,


Cindy Amara
City Solicitor



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