# **IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Legislation title:** \*Pay personal injury lawsuit of Anthony Allen in the sum of \$25,000 involving the Portland Police Bureau (Ordinance)

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### Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This Ordinance settles a personal injury lawsuit brought by attorney Ashlee Albies on behalf of her client Anthony Allen, resulting from his arrest by Portland Police on May 18, 2015. Allen alleges that he was subject to battery and false arrest and that the City was negligent in training and enforcement of our policies which lead to the battery and false arrest. The City does not agree that these allegations are substantiated, but the parties engaged in mediation prior to trial and tentatively reached an agreement to settle the suit for the sum of \$25,000 inclusive of Allen's medical bills, non-economic pain and suffering and attorney's fees and costs.

### Financial and budgetary impacts:

This legislation will have no impact on City revenue.

Total cost to the City to settle the lawsuit is \$25,000. The source of funding is the City's Insurance and Claims Fund. The costs of the settlement will be paid in the current fiscal year. This Ordinance does not amend the budget.

#### Community impacts and community involvement:

This Ordinance settles a state court lawsuit resulting from Allen's arrest by the Portland Police Bureau. No public involvement or input was sought regarding this Ordinance. The City Attorney's Office and Risk Management have concluded that it is not appropriate to have public involvement in settlement negotiations regarding tort claims or lawsuits against the City.

No future public involvement is anticipated or necessary. Approval by City Council of this Ordinance will fully settle a tort claim against the City of Portland.

#### 100% Renewable Goal:

This legislation will have no impact on City energy use.

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# **Budgetary Impact Worksheet**

#### Does this action change appropriations?

- **YES**: Please complete the information below.
- NO: Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount