

Agenda No. 331

ORDINANCE NO. 190396

*Pay settlement of Scott Hughes' employment lawsuit for the sum of \$50,000 involving the Portland Bureau of Transportation (Ordinance)

The City of Portland ordains:

Introduced by

Mayor Ted Wheeler

Section 1. The Council finds:

1. Scott Hughes, through attorney Ben Rosenthal, has filed a lawsuit against the City for damages related to his employment with the Portland Bureau of Transportation.
2. The lawsuit has been investigated by Risk Management Services. The investigation indicates there is risk the City may be found liable. Therefore, in order to avoid the risk of an adverse jury award, we feel it is prudent to compromise the lawsuit at this time.
3. Risk Management Services recommends the lawsuit be compromised for the total sum of \$50,000, subject to the claimant providing the City with a release in a form to be approved by the City Attorney.

Bureau

Management and
Finance
Revenue and Financial
Services
Risk Management

Prepared by

Rosalia Radich

Date Prepared

April 8, 2021

Requested Council Date

May 12, 2021

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

Requested Agenda Type

Consent

- A. The Mayor and the Auditor are hereby authorized to draw and deliver a check in the amount of \$50,000 made payable to Benjamin Rosenthal Trust Account.
- B. Risk Management Services will execute a payment authorization in the amount set forth in sub-paragraph (a) above.

Date Filed with Clerk

May 4, 2021

Section 2. The Council declares that an emergency exists in order to avoid undue and costly delay in settling this employment lawsuit; therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by Council: May 12, 2021

MARY HULL CABALLERO

Auditor of the City of Portland

Action Taken:

By *Megan Lehman*

Deputy

Commissioners voted as follows (Yea or Nay)

Rubio - Yea

Ryan - Yea

Hardesty - Yea

Mapps - Yea

Wheeler - Yea