



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON  
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 7.J.  
For Meeting of: September 3, 2024

**ITEM TITLE:** Resolution authorizing the City of Yakima to consent to a conditional settlement agreement entered into by Cities Insurance Association of Washington (CIAW) and Munich Reinsurance to resolve and settle the lawsuit brought by Ricky Garcia

**SUBMITTED BY:** Ryan Bleek, Senior Assistant City Attorney

**SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

This matter is on for consideration of a Resolution consenting to a settlement agreement resolving the lawsuit filed by Ricky C. Garcia on September 13, 2022 in Yakima County Superior Court Case No. 22-2-01946-39 entitled Ricky C. Garcia v. City of Yakima and Earl R. Guerin and Jane Doe Guerin. The settlement would resolve all claims by the plaintiff related to a vehicle collision which occurred on October 7, 2019 between his vehicle and a vehicle driven by a City of Yakima employee.

The claims against the City of Yakima and Earl Guerin were settled by the City's risk pool and insurer, CIAW and Munich Reinsurance, on August 21, 2024, subject to the approval of the settlement by the Yakima City Council. The amount of the settlement is \$450,000. The City of Yakima has met its deductible for this claim, so no additional funds will be paid by the City of Yakima towards the settlement.

**ITEM BUDGETED:** Yes

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25:** N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

[Res-Settlement.docx](#)

[CR 2A Settlement Agreement.pdf](#)