

City of Fayetteville

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Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor and Members of City Council

THRU:

FROM: Karen M. McDonald, City Attorney

DATE: June 25, 2018

RE:

Approval of Settlement in the matter of Justin Freeman dba Little Vegas Sweepstakes City v. City of Fayetteville

COUNCIL DISTRICT(S):

All Districts

Relationship To Strategic Plan:

Goal V: Sustainable Organizational Capacity

Executive Summary:

The purpose of this agenda item is to approve the settlement in the matter of Justin Freeman dba Little Vegas Sweepstakes City v. City of Fayetteville.

Background:

This was a lawsuit filed against the City by a former internet café operator, Justin Freeman, who was suing to recover the privilege license taxes that were paid to the City from 2010 to 2013 on behalf of his internet café business, Little Vegas Sweepstakes City. This case was previously presented to Council on May 14, 2018, and consensus was to settle the case for \$52,125.00. The plaintiff has signed the Settlement Agreement and Release.

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, the settlement is required to be entered into the minutes of an open session of Council.

Issues/Analysis:

No known issues.

Budget Impact:

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Settlement

Options:

- 1. Approve the settlement and authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to execute the settlement.
- 2. Do not approve the settlement and proceed to trial.
- 3. Provide additional direction to staff.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends that Council move to approve the settlement and authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to execute the necessary documents to resolve the litigation.

Attachments: