

OCTOBER 8, 2020

CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT OF FINAL DECISION

Date of Meeting: *Tuesday, October 8, 2020*

Litigation Negotiations

NAME OF ACTION:

David Gregory, et al. v. Chor Nar Siu Ng, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG16843631

And Related Cases:

Matthew Bholka, et al. vs. Chor Nar Siu Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17851011

David Calvera vs. Chor Nar Siu Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17869151

Dennis Cline, et al. vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17862635

Sadao Dennis vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17863866

Emilie Grandchamps, et al. vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17849318

John Georges Igaz vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17863541

Robert Jacobitz vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17863858

Nicole Kelber vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17861368

Adam Kennon vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17866657

Aaron Marin vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17863850

Samuel Maxwell vs. Chor Nar Siu Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17853077

Gene McArty, et al. vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17856893

Yrjo Timonen, et al. vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17851540

Maria Vega, et al. vs. Chor Nar Sin Ng, City of Oakland, et al.
Alameda County Superior Court Case No. RG17845597

This matter is listed as **Item No. 1(b-p)** on the Closed Session Agenda:

The council authorized settlement in the amount of: **\$399,000.00**

This case arose out of incidents occurring on: **December 2, 2016.**

FACTS/ISSUES:

The Oakland City Council authorized settlement of lawsuits filed by twelve plaintiffs who were residents of the warehouse on 31st Avenue in Oakland when the tragic fire occurred on December 2, 2016, known as the “Ghost Ship Fire.” These Plaintiffs sued the owners of the warehouse, the City, and other defendants, alleging emotional distress and property loss as a result of the fire. Plaintiffs and the City have agreed to settle the twelve resident Plaintiffs' claims for \$399,000. On July 28, 2020, the Council previously approved settlements with a man who survived the fire with serious injuries and family members of victims who did not survive the fire. This settlement resolves all Plaintiff’s claims against the City in this civil lawsuit.

Motion Made by: **Councilmember Reid**

Motion Seconded by: **Councilmember Taylor**

AYES: ~~Fortunato Bas, Gallo, Gibson McElhaney, Kalb, Reid, Taylor, Thao and President Kaplan~~= **6**

NOES: Fortunato Bas, Gallo, Gibson McElhaney, Kalb, Reid, Taylor, Thao and President Kaplan=

ABSENT: ~~Fortunato Bas, Gallo, Gibson McElhaney, Kalb, Reid, Taylor, Thao and President Kaplan~~= **2**

ABSTENTIONS: Fortunato Bas, Gallo, Gibson McElhaney, Kalb, Reid, Taylor, Thao and President Kaplan=