

1 **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R_____**

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
4 CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CITY
5 ATTORNEY AUTHORITY TO SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST
6 THE CITY AND LITIGATION IN AMOUNTS UP TO \$25,000,
7 IN THEIR SOLE DISCRETION, AND UP TO \$50,000, IN
8 CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY MANAGER, AND
9 RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2000-R036.

10 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2000-R036, adopted on April 10,
11 2000, the City Attorney's current authority to settle claims against the City and litigation is in
12 amounts of up to \$10,000 in their sole discretion and amounts up to \$25,000 in consultation
13 with the City Manager; and

14 WHEREAS, in settlement negotiations, it is often important that parties be
15 able to reach settlements without delay; and

16 WHEREAS, in mediation and court-conducted mandatory settlement
17 conferences, there is a need to provide greater latitude for settlement of litigation; and

18 WHEREAS, with respect to claims, the avoidance of litigation through
19 negotiated settlements can and does result in cost savings to the City in appropriate cases;
20 and

21 WHEREAS, the current settlement authority has not been increased for over
22 20 years; and

23 WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the settlement authority for
24 the City Attorney should be increased in order to assist the expeditious settlement of claims
25 against the City and litigation.

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NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, DOES

RESOLVE as follows:

- 1. The City Attorney, in their sole discretion, is hereby authorized to settle claims against the City and litigation in amounts up to \$25,000.
- 2. The City Attorney, in consultation with the City Manager, is authorized to settle claims against the City and litigation in amounts up to \$50,000.
- 3. Resolution No. 2000-R036 is hereby rescinded.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2023.

ALBERT VERA, Mayor
City of Culver City, California

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JEREMY BOCCHINO
City Clerk



HEATHER BAKER
City Attorney