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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claims of Ronald Hultgren vs. MWRDGC, Cases 11 WC 08158, 12 WC 44377 in the sum of \$60,339.08, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Ronald Hultgren is an Operating Engineer II currently working at the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant. On January 19, 2010, he sustained an injury to his right leg. He was initially seen at the industrial medical clinic on January 19, 2010. He initially underwent a course of conservative treatment consisting of medication and physical therapy. He was disabled initially on February 7, 2010. On February 27, 2010 he underwent surgery on his right leg. Following the procedure he underwent additional physical therapy. He was able to return to work on July 16, 2010. The employee underwent a second surgical procedure for his right leg on December 5, 2011 which was in dispute.

On November 28, 2012, Mr. Hultgren sustained an injury to multiple ribs. He was seen at the emergency room on November 28, 2012. He was treated conservatively with medication. No lost time benefits were paid on this claim.

Mr. Hultgren was paid a total of \$25,215.75, which represents a total of 22.6 weeks of lost time benefits for the lost time injury that occurred on January 19, 2010.

Mr. Hultgren filed two Applications of Adjustment of Claims with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC) through his counsel. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, these cases can now be settled for \$60,339.08, representing approximately 35% loss of the right leg and approximately 2.896% loss of person as a whole. This settlement will close out any future lost time benefits, however, medical benefits remain open as he is a Medicare beneficiary.

The Director of Human Resources believes this settlement is in the best interest of the District and requests payment of that sum be approved and she be authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary to effect the settlement.

Requested, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources, BKS:RAJ:RG:dmg
Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Judiciary
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for August 3, 2017