

ITEM SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: December August 21, 2023

FROM: Christy Goddeau, Asst. City Attorney

SUBJECT: Settlement Agreement with Pickwick Mobile Home Park, LLC

BACKGROUND

This item seeks approval of a Settlement Agreement and Release with Pickwick Mobile Home Park, LLC ("Pickwick"), which amicably resolves the legal dispute between the City and Pickwick regarding the City's fire inspections fees. The Settlement Agreement and Release will resolve the lawsuit filed by Pickwick in in the 15th Judicial Circuit's County Court Division (Case No.: 50-2023-CC-005964-XXXX-MB) against the City ("Lawsuit").

ANALYSIS

In 2022, the City's fire inspectors inspected Pickwick and sought to assess Pickwick for the fire inspection fees recently passed by the City. Pickwick is a large mobile home park in the City with almost all mobile homes in the park being owned by third parties. Pickwick challenged the assessment of the City's fire inspection fees. Pickwick filed the Lawsuit in 2023 when the parties' dispute remained pending. Since that time, the City and Pickwick have worked together to find an amicable resolution of the Lawsuit. The Settlement Agreement and Release sets forth the parties' amicable resolution of their dispute.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Settlement of the Lawsuit prevents the expenditure of further attorney's fees and costs.

LEGAL

The City Attorney's office has reviewed the Settlement Agreement and Release and prepared this item. The Settlement Agreement and Release is legal sufficiency and acceptable by the City's Fire Chief.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The City Attorney recommends adoption of Resolution 2023-XX approving the Settlement Agreement and Release with Pickwick Mobile Home Park, LLC.