

**THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY
OFFICE OF
THE MUNICIPAL COUNSELOR**

Council Agenda
Item No. XI. AC
12/31/2024

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Kenneth Jordan, Municipal Counselor

Enter into executive session on advice of the Municipal Counselor to receive confidential communications from its attorney concerning the case of *Lonzetter Walker v. City of Oklahoma City* in the District Court of Oklahoma County, Case No. CJ-2022-2781, as authorized by 25 O.S. (2024 Supp.) §307(B)(4), because disclosure would seriously impair the ability of the public body to conduct the litigation with settlement discussions in the public interest.

Plaintiff Lonzetter Walker alleges on October 1, 2020, she was walking in the grass on the north side of NW 36th Street between North Meridian Avenue and North Geraldine Avenue en route to a nearby bus stop when she stepped into an uncovered water meter hole, covered by overgrown grass, causing her to fall and injure herself. Plaintiff alleges negligence on behalf of Oklahoma City for failure to warn of “hidden” dangers and failure to maintain the water meter and the surrounding area. The Plaintiff is represented by Peter Ram. The City is represented by Assistant Municipal Counselors Linda Samuel-Jaha and Katie Goff.

This matter is set for a bench trial on February 6, 2025 before the Honorable Anthony Bonner. The parties have been court ordered to participate in a mediation, which is set for January 6, 2025.

It is the recommendation of this office that Council retire into Executive Session to further discuss this case.