

1 RESOLUTION NO.

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE,
3 CALIFORNIA, INCREASING THE CITY MANAGER'S SETTLEMENT
4 AUTHORITY FOR VARIOUS CLAIMS FROM \$25,000 TO \$50,000;
5 AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 23792; WHICH AMENDMENT IS TO BE
6 EFFECTIVE UPON ADOPTION.

7 WHEREAS, Section 935.4 of the Government Code specifies that a local public entity
8 may, by ordinance or resolution, authorize an employee of the local public entity to allow,
9 compromise, or settle a claim against the local public entity in an amount not to exceed \$50,000;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18177, adopted on February 9, 1993, and
12 confirmed by Resolution No. 23972, adopted on October 22, 2021, the City Council set the City
13 Manager's settlement authority to 1) compromise or settle Government Tort claims or lawsuits
14 against the City, and to 2) compromise or settle collections, breach of contract, and subrogation
15 cases that have been filed in court by the City, at \$25,000; and

16 WHEREAS, on March 19, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 24101,
17 increasing the City Manager's expenditure authority from \$50,000 to \$100,000, but that
18 expenditure authority increase did not apply to settlement of such claims against the City; and

19 WHEREAS, the City has not updated the amount of the City Manager's authority since
20 1993 and as a result, that settlement authority is outdated and not consistent with the City's
21 current practices; and

22 WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the City increase the City Manager's settlement
23 authority for such claims from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Riverside as
25 follows:

26 Section 1: Resolution No. 23972 is hereby amended to increase the City Manager's (or
27 his/her designee's if specifically designated in writing by the City Manager to act as his/her
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1 designee for a particular matter) authority to 1) compromise or settle Government Tort claims or
2 lawsuits against the City, and to 2) compromise or settle collections, breach of contract, and
3 subrogation cases that have been filed in court by the City from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

4 Section 2: This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

5 ADOPTED by the City Council and signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk
6 this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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9 PATRICIA LOCK-DAWSON
Mayor of the City of Riverside

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11 _____
12 DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk of the City of Riverside

13 I, Donesia Gause, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the
14 foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council on the
15 _____ day of _____, 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

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17 Ayes:

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19 Noes:

20 Absent:

21 Abstained:

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23 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of
24 the City of Riverside, California, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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27 DONESIA GAUSE
City Clerk of the City of Riverside