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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 5, 2017

TO: City Council

**FROM:** Kelly M. Fernandez, Assistant City Attorney

SUBJECT: Amended Settlement Agreement for City of Venice v. Sergije Stangacilovic and Nikola

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Attached please find an Amended Settlement Agreement for a code enforcement and utility lien foreclosure case involving the properties located at 624 and 628 Golf Drive. In 2012, the residential structures located on the properties were demolished pursuant to two code enforcement cases. The resulting costs were secured by liens. The City also filed two liens for unpaid utility charges, which originally became delinquent in 2007. The City Council approved a Settlement Agreement for this case approximately a year ago, but that Settlement Agreement is void as a sale of the property, and thus tender of the settlement payment, did not occur within the required timeframe.

As of July 3, 2017, the Defendants owed the City a total of \$64,774.78, comprised of \$13,005.00 in fines and demolition costs for 624 Golf Drive, \$4,864.55 in unpaid utility service charges for 624 Golf Drive, \$23,025.00 in demolition costs for 628 Golf Drive, \$14,145.18 in unpaid utility service charges for 628 Golf Drive, \$4,197.05 in costs, and \$5,538.00 in attorney's fees. Under the previous Settlement Agreement, the Defendants were to tender \$45,000.00 in full satisfaction of the total amount then due (\$60,656.60). The proposed Amended Settlement Agreement calls for a on-time payment of \$50,000.00 in full satisfaction of the amount due, which covers demolition costs, actual water usage charges, legal costs, and attorney's fees. The Defendants have already executed the Agreement. A closing is scheduled for September 29, 2017.

Please contact me with any questions.