City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska Monday, March 20, 2017 Regular Meeting

Item Consent2

Council to acknowledge receipt of a Tort Claim from Michael Meister, Attorney at Law, on behalf of Jana Brown and refer to the city's insurance carrier.

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March 8, 2017

VIA: Certified Mail – Return Receipt

Cindy Dickinson, City Clerk City of Scottsbluff 2525 Circle Dr. Scottsbluff NE 69361

> RE: Claimant: Date of Incident:

Tort Claim Jana Brown December 10, 2016

Dear Clerk:

I write on behalf of Jana Brown to put the City of Scottsbluff on notice of a tort claim for injuries Ms. Brown sustained in an automobile accident on December 11, 2016, on County Road 20 and 27th Street, Scottsbluff. This notice is being provided to comply with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-1905.

On December 11, 2016, Jana Brown was a passenger in a vehicle being driven by a 15 year old that Jana thought had a learner's permit traveling north on County Road 20 when the driver drove through the inadequately marked dead end into the ditch, launching the vehicle over the railroad tracks and through the fence surrounding the parking lot of the Steve's Towing colliding with parked vehicle inside Steve's Towing property. Compounding the problem, is that the headlights reflect off the keep right sign on the opposite side of the railroad tracks and give a driver a false impression that the road continues on when in fact it abruptly ends. In fact, the driver began to move to the right as evidenced by the fact that only the sign on the right was hit by the vehicle. Jana Brown sustained injuries as a direct result of the inadequately marked dead end.

Because of the extensive rework of that area when the overpass was put in we are notifying the City of Scottsbluff, The County of Scotts Bluff and The State of Nebraska as it is difficult to ascertain which political entity owns the road and area in question.

Be advised that this firm represents Ms. Jana Brown and any contact concerning this claim should be made with me. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely Michael W. Meister, Attorney at Law

MWM/amp cf: Jana Brown Kent Hadenfeldt

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