



Exhibit J

AGENDA ITEM STAFF ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: Verizon Wireless class action settlement

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Issue Statement

A proposed settlement has been reached in a class action lawsuit by Verizon Wireless and a class of cities. A decision needs to be made as to whether or not to participate in the settlement.

Discussion and/or Analysis

The amount of service provided by Verizon in Republic is not a large volume at this time and explains why Republic's share of the settlement is less than \$1000. It should also be realized that attorney fees and cost incurred by those representing the class of cities will be paid from the settlement funds and that would also reduce the amount available for distribution to the cities.

Recommended Action

Based upon the amount owed the City of Republic, it would not be feasible to litigate the issue with Verizon therefore it is recommended that the settlement be accepted.