

CITY OF MARYSVILLE AGENDA BILL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FOR ACTION

CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE: July 11, 2022

AGENDA ITEM: State Opioid Settlement	
PREPARED BY: Jon Walker	DIRECTOR APPROVAL:
DEPARTMENT: Legal	
ATTACHMENTS:	
BUDGET CODE:	AMOUNT:
SUMMARY:	

The State of Washington has reached an agreement with the three distributors of opioid drugs for \$476 million. To participate in this settlement the City would need to approve a “Subdivision Settlement Participation Form.” The form does not obligate the City to pay any costs or attorney fees (these were dealt with separately by the state and distributors). At this time the manner in which the settlement funds will be distributed to participating local jurisdictions is being negotiated, but I expect it will be the same or similar as the “Washington One MOU” that Council previously approved.

<p>RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends Council consider approving the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form.</p> <p>RECOMMENDED MOTION: I move to authorize the mayor to sign and execute the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form associated with the state’s settlement with the opioid distributors.</p>

Exhibit F
Subdivision Settlement Participation Form

Governmental Entity:	State:
Authorized Official:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

The governmental entity identified above (“*Governmental Entity*”), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated May 2, 2022 (“*Distributors Washington Settlement*”), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Distributors Washington Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Distributors Washington Settlement, including the Distributor Global Settlement Agreement dated July 21, 2021 (“*Global Settlement*”) attached to the Distributors Washington Settlement as Exhibit H, understands that all terms in this Participation Form have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by signing this Participation Form, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Distributors Washington Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
2. The Governmental Entity shall, within 14 days of October 1, 2022 and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, secure the dismissal with prejudice of any Released Claims that it has filed.
4. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of the Distributors Washington Settlement pertaining to Subdivisions as defined therein.
5. By agreeing to the terms of the Distributors Washington Settlement and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after December 1, 2022.
6. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Distributors Washington Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.
7. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the Washington Consent Judgment Court for purposes limited to that court’s role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Distributors Washington Settlement. The Governmental Entity likewise agrees to arbitrate before the National Arbitration Panel as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent otherwise provided in the Distributors Washington Settlement.

8. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Distributors Washington Settlement as provided therein.
9. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Distributors Washington Settlement, including, but not limited to, all provisions of Section XI of the Global Settlement, and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Distributors Washington Settlement are intended by the Agreement Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Distributors Washington Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.
10. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the Distributors Washington Settlement.
11. In connection with the releases provided for in the Distributors Washington Settlement, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

General Release; extent. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, and that if known by him or her would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the date the Distributors Washington Settlement becomes effective pursuant to Section II.B of the Distributors Washington Settlement, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the Distributors Washington Settlement.

12. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Distributors Washington Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Participation Form is worded differently from Exhibit F to the Distributors Washington Settlement or interpreted differently from the Distributors Washington Settlement in any respect, the Distributors Washington Settlement controls.

I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Participation Form on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____