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Settlement recommended in Wichita officer sexual assault

City council will consider \$89K deal Tuesday

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WICHITA — Wichita's legal department is recommending that the city approve an \$89,000 financial settlement with a woman who was sexually assaulted by a former police officer.

The Wichita Eagle reports the city council will consider the settlement agreement Tuesday. The woman has accused former officer Joseph T. McGill of sexually assaulting her in 2011. McGill pleaded guilty in January 2012 to sexual battery and was sentenced to three years' probation. McGill resigned after the charges were filed.

The civil lawsuit alleges the city and the police chief were negligent in hiring McGill, and in allowing him to remain on active duty while an earlier assault allegation was under investigation.

The settlement will be paid from the funds used to pay off cases the city doesn't want to take to trial.

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