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**MEETING DATE:** April 28, 2026

**STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE:** Kelly Dunnaway, Deputy County Attorney

**DESCRIPTION:** Skinner Settlement.

**SUMMARY:** In July, 2023, DCSO dispatch received a call reporting a truck and a white sedan parked near King Soopers passing something back and forth with a lot of smoke coming out of the windows. The responding deputy stopped the sedan, smelled marijuana and arrested the driver. The DA declined to prosecute, finding that they could not prove a DUI beyond a reasonable doubt

A federal judge called into question whether exculpatory evidence had been properly disclosed and made significant overtures that DCSO needed to settle this case. This led to negotiations and eventual agreement on settlement.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Approval of the Settlement Agreement.

**REVIEW:**

Jeff Garcia	Approve	4/20/2026
Christie Guthrie	Approve	4/22/2026
Doug DeBord	Approve	4/23/2026

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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