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### **SETTLEMENT REACHED IN CALLAGHAN, ET AL V. CITY OF SEBASTOPOL, ET AL.**

**SEBASTOPOL, CA, JULY 2, 2026** – The City of Sebastopol announces that it has entered into a [settlement agreement](#) with Jeffrey Callaghan and his minor daughter resolving the pending litigation ([Callaghan et al. v. City of Sebastopol et al.](#)) between the parties.

The City recognizes that the incident and resulting litigation were difficult for all involved.

Based on the advice of the City's risk pool and insurance carrier, the determination was made that resolution of the matter by the City represented an appropriate economic decision and served the best interests of the community.

The City entered into this settlement to avoid costly attorney's fees. The City of Sebastopol, the Sebastopol Police Department, and the named officers expressly deny admission of liability in connection with the settlement. The City is constantly evaluating and updating the policies and training for the Police Department-and continues to strive to be a model of excellence.

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