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### **City of Fort Lauderdale v. Israel**

**District Court of Appeal of Florida, Fourth District - October 14, 2015 - So.3d - 2015 WL 5948627**

County sheriff brought action against city for breach of contract, unjust enrichment, and open account, and city moved for summary judgment based on sovereign immunity. The Circuit Court denied city's motion. City appealed.

The District Court of Appeal held that sovereign immunity barred sheriff's action.

Sovereign immunity barred county sheriff's action against city for breach of contract, unjust enrichment, and open account, arising out of payments allegedly owed to sheriff for services provided to city after contract had expired, where there was no written contract between sheriff and city.

A municipality waives the protections of sovereign immunity only when it enters into an express contract. When an alleged contract is merely implied, however, these sovereign immunity protections remain in force.