

On August 17, 2022, Haley Gunter was driving southbound on Nolensville Road when she stopped her vehicle to let a WeGo bus pass her and turn into a parking lot on her right. A Metro Water Services employee was driving behind Ms. Gunter in a waste services truck and was unable to stop, colliding with the rear of her vehicle.

Ms. Gunter was transported from the scene to the hospital, complaining of a headache and neck and upper back pain. CT scans were ordered of her chest, abdomen, pelvis, head, and cervical spine. She was released and advised to follow-up with her primary care physician. On August 22, 2022, Ms. Gunter saw her primary care physician with complaints of neck pain and upper and mid-back spasms as well as hip and thigh pain. Additional x-rays were ordered and she started physical therapy. She also saw an orthopedist for hip and knee pain. Her total medical costs were \$34,943.36.

The Department of Law recommends settlement of Ms. Gunter's personal injury claim for \$60,000, including her total medical costs and pain and suffering.

Disciplinary action taken against the Metro Water Services employee consisted of a verbal reprimand.

Fiscal Note: This \$60,000 settlement, along with the settlement per Resolution Nos. RS2023-2077 would be the 23rd and 24th payments from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY23 for a cumulative total of \$820,340. The fund balance would be \$17,216,100 after these payments.