



Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution authorizing the Metropolitan Department of Law to compromise and settle the property damage claim of Nafeth Abdrabou against the Metropolitan Government for \$32,043.81 with said amount to be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2023, an Officer with the Metro Nashville Police Department, while operating a vehicle owned by the Metropolitan Government, was in pursuit of a suspect vehicle with lights and sirens activated. The suspect vehicle ran a red light at the intersection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Rep John Lewis Way, narrowly missing Nafeth Abdrabou's 2022 Chevrolet Suburban which had entered the intersection. The police vehicle entered the intersection and collided with Mr. Abdrabou's 2022 Chevrolet Suburban causing extensive damage to it; and,

WHEREAS, after investigation, the Metropolitan Department of Law believes that the settlement listed in Section 1 is fair and reasonable and in the best interest of the Metropolitan Government and recommends that the property damage claim of Nafeth J. Abdrabou be compromised and settled for \$32,043.81, and that this amount be paid from the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1: The Metropolitan Department of Law is authorized to compromise and settle the property damage claim of Nafeth Abdrabou for the sum of \$32,043.81 with said amount to be paid from the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

Section 2: This resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

On March 7, 2023, a Metropolitan Nashville Police Department vehicle was in pursuit of a suspect with lights and sirens activated while travelling eastbound on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The suspect's vehicle ran a red light at the intersection of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Rep John Lewis Way and narrowly missed striking the vehicle driven by Nafeth Abdrabou. The MNPD officer followed the suspect into the intersection, did not have enough time to stop his vehicle, and collided with Mr. Abdrabou's vehicle. Mr. Abdrabou's vehicle required repairs to the passenger side doors.

The Department of Law recommends settling Mr. Abdradou's property damage claim for \$32,043.81, which include the repairs to the vehicle and costs for towing and storage.

Disciplinary action against the MNPD officer involved consisted of a written reprimand.

Fiscal note: This \$32,043.81 settlement, along with the settlements per Resolution Nos. RS2023-73, RS2023-81, RS2023-85, RS2023-87 and RS2023-91 would be the 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th payments from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY24 for a cumulative total of \$724,800. The fund balance would be

\$15,906,418 after these payments.