



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 personal injury claim of Alecia Miller against the Metropolitan Government for \$10,000, with said amount to be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2023, an employee of the Metro Nashville Police Department, while operating a vehicle owned by the Metropolitan Government, was attempting a left turn from White Bridge Pike onto White Bridge Place. Alecia Miller was driving north on White Bridge Pike when the Metro vehicle struck her vehicle, causing her personal injury; 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 personal injury claim of Alecia Miller be compromised and settled for \$10,000, 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 Alecia Miller for the sum of \$10,000 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 January 25, 2023, a Metro Nashville Police Department ("MNPD") officer turned left at the corner of White Bridge Pike and White Bridge Place. The officer turned in front of another vehicle that had stopped for traffic. The officer did not see Alecia Miller's vehicle approaching and struck her vehicle on its front passenger side. Ms. Miller had the right of way at the time of the incident. A payment of \$13,255.36 was previously sent to Ms. Miller's insurer for her vehicle damage.

Ms. Miller received more than six weeks of rehabilitative treatment for lumbar, thorax, and neck sprains and a strained rotator cuff. Her medical costs totaled \$7,410.

The Department of Law recommends settlement of Ms. Miller's personal injury claim for \$10,000.

Disciplinary action against the MNPD officer as a result of this incident consisted of a written reprimand.

Fiscal note: This \$10,000 settlement along with Resolution No. RS2024-159 would be the 17th and 18th payments from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY24 for a cumulative total of \$827,469. The fund balance would be \$19,693,026 after this payment.