



# 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 Edna Collier against the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County for \$25,000, with said amount to be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2023, a Nashville Fire Department EMT, while operating an ambulance owned by the Metropolitan Government, had completed a call at the InTown Suites at 665 Myatt Drive. The EMT was attempting to back the ambulance in the parking lot of the InTown Suites and did not see Edna Collier's vehicle stopped behind it. He continued backing and struck the passenger side of Ms. Collier's vehicle, causing injury to her; 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 Edna Collier be compromised and settled for \$25,000.00, 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 personal injury claim of Edna Collier for the sum of \$25,000.00 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 June 16, 2023, a Nashville Fire Department ambulance completed a call at 665 Myatt Drive and attempted to exit a parking lot at Intown Suites. The driver of the ambulance did not see a stopped vehicle owned by Edna Collier behind him. The ambulance backed into the passenger side of Ms. Collier's vehicle. Her vehicle was later deemed a total loss, and Ms. Collier received \$3,100 for the vehicle through a separate claim.

Ms. Collier reported neck and shoulder pain and was taken to the emergency room on June 24 and 29, 2023. Ms. Collier received treatment to relieve the pain and was released from the hospital's care.

The Department of Law recommends settlement of Ms. Collier's personal injury claims for \$25,000, which includes payment of her medical bills, prescriptions, lost wages, and pain and suffering.

*Fiscal note: This \$25,000 settlement, along with the settlements per Resolution Nos. RS2023-13, RS2023-39 and RS2023-40 would be the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> payments from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY24 for a cumulative total of \$417,307.*