



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 Uylus E. Johnson against the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County in the amount of \$25,000.00, with said amount to be paid out of the Self-Insured Liability Fund.

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2020, a Metro Fire Department employee was southbound on Travelers Inn Drive responding to a call when he struck a stopped vehicle driven by Uylus E. Johnson, causing injury to Mr. Johnson; 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 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 Uylus E. Johnson 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 August 11, 2020, a Nashville Fire Department employee rear ended Mr. Uylus Johnson's vehicle on Travelers Inn Drive while responding to a call. Mr. Johnson sustained injuries to his neck and back, which involved further medical and chiropractic treatment resulting in medical expenses totaling \$14,715.

The Department of Law recommends settling the claim for the amount of the medical bills plus \$10,285 for pain and suffering, for a total settlement award of \$25,000 to be paid out of the self-insured liability fund. The property damage claim in the amount of \$1,100 has already been paid.

The Metro employee who caused the accident received disciplinary action consisting of a three day suspension.

Fiscal Note: This \$25,000 settlement, along with the settlement per Resolution No. RS2021-848, would be the 27th and 28th payments from the Self-Insured Liability Fund in FY21 for a cumulative total of \$1,638,214. The fund balance would be \$1,262,759 after these payments.