



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE**  
**City Commission Agenda Memo**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**#25-0403**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Rickelle Williams, City Manager

**DATE:** April 15, 2025

**TITLE:** Motion Authorizing Settlement of Auto Liability Claim of Dante Lee Amos,  
Claim No. VA GL 25-084 - \$200,000 - **(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve, as provided for by Sec. 2-151, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the settlement of the auto liability claim of Dante Lee Amos, Claim No. VA GL 25-084, by paying the amount of \$200,000.

**Background**

Dante Lee Amos filed an automobile liability claim against the City resulting from a motor vehicle accident with a City (Public Works) vehicle on October 11, 2024, where he sustained injuries. The City vehicle sideswiped Mr. Amos as he was traveling in a bicycle lane, southbound on NW 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue near NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, causing his electric bicycle to strike a street light pole by the sidewalk.

Pursuant to Sec. 2-151, Code of Ordinances, the claim was reviewed, and a settlement was recommended by the City's Risk Management Committee on February 27, 2025. Staff's evaluation of the potential financial exposure to the City determined that a settlement prior to litigation would provide the most cost-effective outcome. Through negotiations, a settlement was reached in the amount of \$200,000, subject to the approval of the City Commission.

**Resource Impact**

There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$200,000.

<i>Funds available as of March 21, 2025</i>			
ACCOUNT NUMBER	COST CENTER NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMOUNT
10-543-9050-519-50-5104	Self-Insurance Claims	Non-Operating Expenses / Auto Liability Claims	\$200,000

		<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>

### **Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- Guiding Principles, Fiscal Responsibility

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are United*

This item supports the *Advance Fort Lauderdale 2040 Comprehensive Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Internal Support Focus Area
- Implementation Element
- Goal 1: The Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan shall accomplish the City's *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan* regarding the City's future growth and the six Cylinders of Excellence and shall be the City's primary policy document to guide all of its activities and development.

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