



## City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:		File No.:		Item Type:		1 <sup>st</sup> Reading		2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	
<b>8/20/2025</b>		<b>25-329</b>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Resolution</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ordinance</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other</b>		Ordinance Reading		<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>
						Public Hearing		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						Advertising Required		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
						Quasi-Judicial:		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fiscal Impact (\$):		Account Balance (\$):				Funding Source:		Project Number:	
<b>\$20,000</b>		<b>\$20,000</b>				<b>570-1810-545030</b>		<b>N/A</b>	
Contract Required:		P.O. Required:		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:		Sponsor Name:		Department:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<b>N/A</b>		<b>Jim Buschman Assistant HR Director/Risk Manager</b>		<b>Human Resources/Risk Management</b>	
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:									
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Fiscal Stability</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Resident Services</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Safety</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Infrastructure &amp; Mobility</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Economic Development &amp; Affordable Housing</b>	
Implementation Timeline:									
Estimated Start Date: 8/6/2025						Estimated End Date: 8/31/2025			

### SHORT TITLE:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT PAYMENT TO YASMINE MCCALLA FOR PERSONAL INJURIES RESULTING FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

### STAFF SUMMARY:

#### Summary:

Staff seeks City Commission approval to authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to settle the Yasmine McCalla lawsuit for the total sum of \$20,000, in exchange for the appropriate release.

**Background:**

A CRA employee was driving a City vehicle in the Orlando area attending a conference. While driving on a one way, three lane highway, the employee attempted to make a sharp left turn into a hotel parking lot. In doing so, he struck a vehicle owned and operated by the claimant, Yasmine McCalla. The claimant retained the services of an attorney, and a lawsuit was filed for the bodily injuries. In March 2025, the City reimbursed the claimant for the property damage in the amount of \$3,226.05.

**Current Situation:**

On June 26, 2025, a mediation was held and the claimant and her attorney agreed to settle this lawsuit in the amount of \$20,000 for her bodily injuries. This settlement of \$20,000 along with the prior settlement for the property damage of \$3,226.05 exceeds the authority amount given to the City Manager and City Attorney to settle claims, which require City Commission approval.

The City is expecting reimbursement from the HBCRA for the settlement costs as well as the legal fees involved in defending this matter.

**Why Action is Necessary:**

Pursuant to Chapter 24-3 (d), of the City of Hallandale Beach, Code of Ordinances, proposed settlements in excess of \$20,000 shall be submitted to the City Commission for its decision. This settlement exceeds the authority amount given to the City Manager and City Attorney to settle claims, which require City Commission approval.

**Cost Benefit:**

Staff believes settling the property damage portion of this claim for \$20,000 is in the City's best interest.

**PROPOSED ACTION:**

The City Commission considers the attached Resolution.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Exhibit 1 – Resolution

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