



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 10/28/2025

REQUESTER: Ryan Riddel, Assistant City Attorney

PRESENTER: Ryan Riddel, Assistant City Attorney

ITEM TITLE: CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION, REJECTION, AMENDMENT, AND/OR POSTPONEMENT OF RESOLUTION R-2526-70: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$30,161.46 FROM THE REFUNDS / REIMBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS RISK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT TO PAY FOR REPAIRS TO CITY OF NORMAN VEHICLES DAMAGED BY OTHER DRIVERS IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS.

BACKGROUND:

Funding is required to repair City vehicles that are damaged by other parties. Most of the time, the City's vendor, Alternative Claims Management (ACM), collects funds from the at-fault driver's insurance policy to reimburse the City for damage.

This item requests appropriation of various payments which have been received to pay for repairs to City vehicles.

DISCUSSION:

Reimbursement has been received for the following incidents:

On November 5, 2018, a Police Department vehicle (Unit 1199) received damage when it was struck by another driver from behind. Allstate insurance determined their driver to be at fault and after the City received payment for damage costs, a Loss of Use payment was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$1,366.68.

On February 17, 2019, a Police Department vehicle (Unit 1140) received damage when it was struck by another driver from behind. State Farm insurance determined their driver to be at fault and after the City received payment for damage costs, a Loss of Use payment was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$5,346.48.

On April 23, 2019, a Police Department vehicle (Unit 1110) received damage when it was struck by another driver from behind. State Farm insurance determined their driver to be at fault and after the City received payment for damage costs, a Loss of Use payment was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$75.

On February 14, 2020, a Fire Department vehicle (Unit 8) received damage when it was on an emergency call and was struck by another driver at an intersection. Gainsco Auto Insurance determined their driver to be at fault and after the City received payment for damage costs, a second Loss of Use payment was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$300.

On January 30, 2025, a Police Department vehicle (Unit 1166) with active lights and sirens received damage when it was struck by another driver who failed to yield to this emergency vehicle. State Farm insurance determined their driver to be at fault and payment for damage costs was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$14,837.50.

On April 9, 2025, a Transit Division bus (Unit 5-2367) received damage when it was struck by another driver from behind. Progressive insurance determined their driver to be at fault and payment for damage costs was collected by ACM and remitted to the City in the amount of \$8,235.80.

The collections outlined above, which total \$30,161.46, were received by the City and forwarded for deposit into the Refunds/Reimbursements Miscellaneous Risk Management account.

Staff now submits this request to reimburse the Transit Division for their expense as well as to place funds into the Fleet vehicle repair account for the other damaged City vehicles.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of R-2425-70 for the appropriation of \$30,161.46 from the Risk Management Fund, Refunds/Reimbursements (Account 439-365264) to the Public Transit Fund, Transit Maintenance & Repair Services-Auto (\$8,235.80; Account 27550276-44201) and to Miscellaneous Services/Uninsured Losses (\$21,925.66; Account 43330104-44798) for the reimbursement of repairs to City of Norman vehicles.