



CITY OF NORMAN, OK STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: 11/12/2024

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-2425-63: A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, APPROPRIATING \$12,432.76 FROM THE REFUNDS / REIMBURSEMENTS MISCELLANEOUS RISK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE REPAIR OF CITY VEHICLES DAMAGED BY OTHER DRIVERS IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS.

BACKGROUND:

Funding is required to repair City vehicles that are damaged in traffic collisions. To assist with this process, the City has contracted with Alternative Claims Management (ACM) to pursue reimbursement of damage costs from the other driver's insurance policy when the collision is the fault of the other driver.

ACM has remitted two (2) payments to the City totaling \$12,432.76. This item requests appropriation of these funds to pay for vehicle repairs.

DISCUSSION:

Insurance reimbursement has been received for the following incidents:

On November 15, 2023, a Transit Division bus (Unit 5-2331) received damage when it was struck by another driver that crossed the median. The bus was repaired immediately so it could be returned to service and Transit Division funds were utilized to pay for the repair invoice. Subsequently, State Auto Mutual 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 \$10,046.83.

On April 29, 2024, a Police Department vehicle (Unit 1164) with activated flashing lights received damage when it was struck by another driver who failed to yield to this emergency vehicle. 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 \$2,385.93.

The collections outlined above, which total \$12,432.76, were received by the City and forwarded for deposit into the Refunds/Reimbursements Risk Management account on October 14 and October 18, 2024, respectively.

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 police unit.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval of R-2425-63 for the appropriation of \$12,432.76 from the Risk Management Fund, Refunds/Reimbursements (Account 439-365264) to the Public Transit Fund, Transit Maintenance & Repair Services-Auto (\$10,046.83; Account 27550276-44201) and to Miscellaneous Services/Uninsured Losses (\$2,385.93; Account 43330104-44798) for the reimbursement of repairs to City of Norman vehicles.