

May 14, 2025

WHEREAS, a lawsuit styled Lonzo Richmond v. City of Dallas, Cause No. DC-23-09255, was filed by Plaintiff Lonzo Richmond, seeking compensation from the City of Dallas for alleged bodily injuries and other damages sustained in an accident on May 19, 2022, involving Department of Sanitation Services employees operating city-owned equipment; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff Lonzo Richmond's claims were tried before a jury on February 12, 2025, and the jury returned a verdict in which it assigned 65.0% liability against the City and 35.0% liability against Lonzo Richmond; and

WHEREAS, the jury awarded \$36,281.40 to Lonzo Richmond for compensatory and noneconomic damages; and

WHEREAS, the court reduced the jury's award according to the assignment of liability against the City and Lonzo Richmond, resulting in a final judgment award in favor of Lonzo Richmond for \$23,582.91; and

WHEREAS, the court assessed prejudgment interest on past damages at a rate of 7.5% from March 25, 2023, through the day before judgment was entered, taxable court costs, and post-judgment interest on the total amount awarded at a rate of 7.5% from the date the judgment is signed until paid; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interest to pay the jury's verdict in favor of Lonzo Richmond in this lawsuit.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That payment in satisfaction of the final judgment in the lawsuit styled Lonzo Richmond v. City of Dallas, Cause No. DC-23-09255, in an amount not to exceed \$29,000.00 is hereby approved.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to pay Lonzo Richmond, Ben Abbott & Associates, and all other persons having an interest in the judgment, the total amount of \$29,000.00 from Liability Reserve Fund, Fund 0192, Department ORM, Unit 3890, Object 3521, Vendor MVORM001.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.