



## Legislation Text

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### Settlement of Worker's Compensation Claim - Walter L. Littles (NB)

While employed as a Fire Fighter, Walter L. Littles suffered heart/hypertension injury that has required ongoing treatment by medical providers. As a result of his injury and subsequent permanent work restrictions imposed by his treating physicians, Mr. Littles is no longer able to perform the essential functions of his job as a Fire Fighter.

Recently, the City and Mr. Littles attempted to mediate a settlement of his Worker's Compensation claim. Mr. Littles and his attorney, Geoffrey Bichler, have agreed the proposed settlement. The City Attorney's Office, the Risk Management Department, Gainesville Fire Rescue, Special Counsel and our Worker's Compensation servicing agent all concur as to the full and final settlement of this claim. The total amount, \$70,000, includes all attorney fees, future medical costs, past and future indemnity payments, and taxable costs.

The settlement of this case in the amount of \$70,000 will be paid out of the General Insurance Fund.

The City Commission authorize Special Counsel to prepare and execute the appropriate documents for a lump-sum settlement of the Worker's Compensation claim of Walter Littles in the amount of \$70,000.