

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2025**

**SESSION LAW 2026-29
HOUSE BILL 1215**

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER OF GARNER TO SETTLE CERTAIN CLAIMS OF TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS OR LESS AND CERTAIN EMINENT DOMAIN CLAIMS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 6.2 of the Charter of the Town of Garner, being Chapter 333 of the 1977 Session Laws, reads as rewritten:

"Sec. 6.2. Settlement of claims. ~~The board of aldermen town council~~ may authorize the town manager to settle the following claims against involving the town for personal town:

- (1) Personal injury or ~~damage to property~~ damage claims when the amount involved does not exceed the sum of ~~one hundred dollars (\$100.00)~~ ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained, including loss of time, medical expenses, and any other expense actually incurred.
- (2) Eminent domain claims filed by the town when the amount involved does not exceed the amount budgeted for property or easement acquisition for the approved capital improvement project.
- (3) Claims made by the town for debts owed to the town when the amount involved does not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

All ~~such~~ settlements pursuant to this section shall be approved by the town ~~attorney~~ attorney and reported to the town council in a timely manner. Settlement of a claim by the town manager pursuant to this section shall constitute a complete release of the town from all damages sustained by a person involved in the settlement arising out of the same claim."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 2nd day of July, 2026.

s/ Rachel Hunt
President of the Senate

s/ Destin Hall
Speaker of the House of Representatives

