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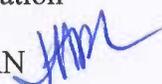
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May 19, 2016

TO: LORI GLASGOW
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: JENNIFER A.D. LEHMAN 
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Law Enforcement Services Division

RE: **Liam Mulligan v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:14-CV-09510

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board's recommendation in the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary for the case.

It is requested that this recommendation and the Case Summary be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

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Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Liam Mulligan v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 2:14-CV-09510 in the amount of \$2,500,000, and authorize the Contract Cities' insurance carrier's payment of \$2,500,000 in settlement of this matter.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force and civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Liam Mulligan vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	2:14-CV-09510
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	December 11, 2014
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department Contract Cities Trust Fund – West Hollywood
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 2,500,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Brian D. Depew, Esq. Robert J. Wolfe, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Millicent L. Rolon Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for \$2,500,000, the lawsuit filed by Liam Mulligan alleging civil rights violations when he was wrongfully shot in the leg by Sheriff's Deputies responding to an emergency call.</p> <p>The involved Deputies claim their actions were reasonable under the circumstances.</p> <p>Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. Therefore, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$2,500,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 279,269
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 40,149