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TO: LORI GLASGOW  
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: JENNIFER A.D. LEHMAN   
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RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisor's Agenda**  
**County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund**  
**Claims Board Recommendation**  
**Estate of Antoine Hunter, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**  
**United States District Court Case No. CV 14-09482**

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.

JADL:sz

Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Estate of Antoine Hunter, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. CV 14-09482 in the amount of \$475,000, and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department Contract Cities Trust Fund's budget.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of wrongful death and federal civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Estate of Antoine Hunter, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	CV 14-09482
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	December 11, 2014
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 475,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Humberto M. Guizar, Esquire
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Joseph A. Langton Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for \$475,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a lawsuit filed by the Estate of Antoine D. Hunter, Martha L. Willis, decedent's mother, Donald Hunter, Decedent's father, and Jeremy Evans, decedent's passenger, against the County, two Sheriff's Deputies, and former Interim Sheriff John L. Scott alleging wrongful death and federal civil rights violations.</p> <p>The involved Deputies claim their actions were reasonable under the circumstances.</p> <p>Because of 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 \$475,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 54,334
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 38,434