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Executive Officer Board of Supervisors

Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM:

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RE:

Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda

County Claims Board Recommendation

Claim of County of Los Angeles Against HMC Architects

Attached is the Agenda entry for the Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation regarding the above-referenced matter. Also attached is the Case Summary to be made available to the public.

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 Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled <u>Claim of County of Los Angeles Against HMC Architects</u> by accepting the amount of \$600,000 to implement this settlement.

This matter concerns the recovery of money from HMC Architects arising from their performance of architectural and engineering design services in connection with the refurbishment project at the Department of Medical Examiner-Coroner's Facility; settlement is recommended whereby the County will receive payment in the amount of \$600,000.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Claim of County of Los Angeles

Against HMC Architects

CASE NUMBER Not Applicable

COURT Not Applicable

DATE FILED Not Applicable

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Department of Public Works

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 600,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Not Applicable

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY Talin Halabi

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NATURE OF CASE

Claim by the County against HMC

for compensatory damages

resulting from HMC's performance

of architectural-engineering services in connection with the refurbishment of the Los Angeles County Department of Medical Examiner-Coroner's Crypt Building Addition and Tenant Improvement

Renovation Project.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 85,532

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 2,950