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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: ADRIENNE M. BYERS
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RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda**
County Claims Board Recommendation
ACLU, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 143 004

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.

AMB:vc

Attachment

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled ACLU, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 143 004 in the amount of \$337,500 and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

This is a writ of mandate against the County and the City of Los Angeles seeking to compel production of Automated License Plate Reader data gathered by the Sheriff's Department and the Los Angeles Police Department.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	ACLU, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	BS143004
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	September 5, 2012
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 337,500
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	American Civil Liberties Union Foundation
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Timothy J. Kral, Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This is a recommendation to settle the attorneys' fees claim associated with the mandamus proceeding pertaining to a California Public Records Act in the amount of \$337,500. Petitioners American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Southern California and Electronic Frontier Foundation, allege that the Sheriff's Department improperly refused to release Automated Plate Reader Data. This matter has been litigated through multiple levels of appeal where Petitioners won access to some of the requested data. Petitioners are entitled to recover attorneys' fees for a successful mandamus petition. The full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$337,500 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 177,284
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 4,573