



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

500 WEST TEMPLE STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012-2713

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### **NOTICE OF MEETING**

The County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board will hold its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, **August 11, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., Via Teleconference.**

In compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Agency Clerk at (562) 467-8736. Notification 48 hours before meeting will enable the Authority to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility. (28 CFR 35.102.35.104 ADA Title II)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

You may submit public comment by e-mail at [vruiz@cjpia.org](mailto:vruiz@cjpia.org) or by mail to: Attention: Contract Cities Claims Board Agenda, Executive Office, County Counsel, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

Written public comment or documentation must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2021. Please include the Agenda item and meeting date in your correspondence. Comments and any other written submissions will become part of the official record of the meeting.

Members of the public wishing to listen to open sessions of the meeting may call the California JPIA's teleconference number at **1(669) 900-9128**, **Enter Meeting ID: 924 9486 8516; Passcode 844552.**

#### **Zoom Meeting Link**

<https://cjpia.zoom.us/j/92494868516?pwd=OFRpaWtTHpPa1E4ODJkZ1A5RXlWZz09&from=addon>

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.

3. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

- a. Patterson, Nahan IV v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-CV-02669

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, false arrest, false imprisonment, and denied medical treatment by Sheriff's Deputies.

[See Supporting Document](#)

- a. Non-Litigated Claim of Carlos Loiza  
CRM No. 20-1159395\*002

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

[See Supporting Document](#)

4. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

- a. Claim of Bottros, Moheb  
CRM No. 20-1164213\*001

This lawsuit concerns allegations of false arrest and failure to summon medical attention by Sheriff's Deputies.

- b. Gonzalez Rivas, Georgina v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV17817

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident involving Sheriff's Deputies.

- c. Slaughter, Dorrell v. Fernandez, Deputy S., et al.  
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-CV-00393

This lawsuit concerns allegations of false arrest and false imprisonment by Sheriff's Deputies.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

6. Approval of Minutes for the July 11, 2021, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

[See Supporting Document](#)

7. Items not on the posted agenda, to be referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a further meeting of the Board, or matters requiring immediate action because of emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda.
8. Other Business
9. Adjournment

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Nathan Patterson IV v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	2:20-CV-02669
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	March 22, 2020
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 190,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Robert S. Brown, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Minas Samuelian Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	<p>This is a recommendation to settle for \$190,000 inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Nathan Patterson IV ("Plaintiff"), against the County alleging excessive force arising out of the detention and arrest of the Plaintiff.</p> <p>Given the high risks and uncertainties of litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigation costs. The full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$190,000 is recommended.</p>
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 100,820.49
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 12,479.30

## CASE SUMMARY

### INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Non-Litigated Claim of Carlos Loaiza
CASE NUMBER	N/A
COURT	N/A
DATE FILED	N/A
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 24,125
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Robert T. Simon The Simon Law Group
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Jessica C. Rivas Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This claim arises from a vehicle collision that occurred on April 3, 2020, in Paramount, when a vehicle driven by a Sheriff's Deputy collided with Mr. Loaiza's vehicle. Mr. Loaiza claims to have suffered bodily injuries, loss of earnings, and property damage as a result. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the claim is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 0
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 0

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CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND  
CLAIMS BOARD**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

July 14, 2021

**1. Call to Order**

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by James Bozajian at 11:02 a.m. The meeting was held via-teleconference.

**Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members:** James Bozajian, Chair; Mark Waronek, South Division; John Moreno, South Division; At-Large; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Mark Alexander, East Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; At-Large; Bryan Cook, At-Large; Lindsey Horvath, At-Large; **Alternate:** Steve Hofbauer, North Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Rob Wishner, East Division; Jose Gonzalez, Central Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Elizabeth D. Miller, Assistant County Counsel; Adrian Gragas, Assistant County Counsel; Steve Robles; County of Los Angeles; Timothy J. Kral, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Tyson Nelson, Deputy County Counsel; Bryan Aguilera, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Pilar Chavez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Albert Maldonado, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Sergio Escobedo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Bruce Chase, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Kristen DesCombes, Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; Chris Gray, Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Stacey Luster, Claims Manager, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Alex Smith, Deputy Executive Officer; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; Paul Zeglovitch, Liability Program Manager; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk.

**2. Public Comment**

Members of the public were provided the opportunity to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board. No members of the public addressed the Board.

At 11:05 a.m., the Chair adjourned the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board into Closed Session.

**3. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- a. Marshall, Shaun, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
United States District Court Case No. 8:20-CV-00916

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, false arrest, and falsified police report by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$525,000.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

**4. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)**

- a. Lauren Dodson v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-CV-04011

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations and false arrest by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- b. Metoyer, Erin v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV05424

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident involving Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- c. Virgen, Genevie Isabel v. Rogers Brett Randall, et al.  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV01504

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

**5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.**

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 11:50 a.m. No action was taken in Closed Session which required a public report pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

**6. Approval of the Minutes for June 9, 2021, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.**

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

**7. Items Not on the Posted Agenda, to be Referred to Staff or Placed on the Agenda for Action at a Further Meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board, or Matters Requiring Immediate Action Because of Emergency Situation or Where the Need to Take Immediate Action Came to the Attention of the Board Subsequent to the Posting of the Agenda.**

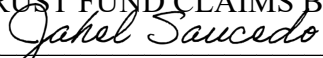
None

**8. Other Business**

None

**9. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

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