

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD VIA-TELECONFERENCE

ON

WEDNESDAY, December 8, 2021, AT 11:00 AM

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

Alternates Present: *Steve Hofbauer, Kevin Chun, John Moreno, Rob Wishner, Gustavo Camacho, Michael Davitt, Thaddeus McCormack, Jennifer Perez, Gloria Molleda.*

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.**

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

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

- a. Mark McCravey v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19AVCV00567

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Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$24,550.24.

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

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- a. Lockett, Sheldon, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:18-CV-05838

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, false arrest, false imprisonment, and unreasonable search and seizure 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 a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- c. Naylor, Derry v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC707213

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- d. Timothy Reeves Neal v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:20: CV-06315

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, and improper training or lack of training by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- e. Orcutt, Marilyn v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC708462
CRM Nos. 17-1140975*001 - *005

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 Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Items No. 3 and No. 4 above.

6. Approval of the minutes of the November 10, 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.

[See Supporting Document](#)

7. **Continuance of the Existence of a Local State of Emergency in Response to COVID-19 and Findings Related to AB 361 Exempting the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board from Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules.**
8. **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.**

No such matters were discussed.

9. Other Business.

None

10. Adjournment.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Mark McCravey v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	19AVCV00567
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	August 6, 2019
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department Contract Cities
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 24,680
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	David Azizi, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Richard K. Kudo Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This case involves a two vehicle collision that occurred on February 17, 2019, when a Sheriff's Department Contract Cities radio car driven by a Deputy Sheriff on Contract Cities' business made an unsafe turning movement that caused a collision with plaintiff Mark McCravey's Nissan Sentra vehicle. The collision occurred on eastbound Avenue S at the 37 th Street East intersection in the City of Palmdale. Plaintiff claims to have suffered injuries and damages from the accident. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 18,375
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 6,548

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND
CLAIMS BOARD**

MINUTES OF MEETING

November 10, 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 11:03 a.m. The meeting was held via-teleconference.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: James Bozajian, Chair; John Moreno, South Division; 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; Rob Wishner, East Division; Jason Caudle, North Division; Gloria Molleda, At-Large; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Elizabeth D. Miller, Assistant County Counsel; Adrian Gragas, Assistant County Counsel; Steve Robles; County of Los Angeles; Joseph Langton, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Deputy County Counsel; Bryan Aguilera, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Pilar Chavez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Albert Maldonado, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Bruce Chase, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Sergio Escobedo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; William Jaeger, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Kristen DesCombes, Alliant Insurance Services; Robert Lowe; Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; Chris Gray, Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Sylvia Hernandez, Claims Manager, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Alex Smith, Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Zeglovitch, Liability Program Manager; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs 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 11:07 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. Non-Litigated Claims of Roger Jackson and Mercury Insurance Company
CRM No. 20-1162716*001

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

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$25,550.24.

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

- b. Non-Litigated Claims of Jose Oscar Yanez, Christian Martinez, Gabino Arellano, Diana Gomez, and Jacqueline Gomez
CRM No. 20-1162406*006

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

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$52,241.58.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook,
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John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez,
Marcel Rodarte, Gustavo Camacho.

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

- a. Dennis Garr v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV05046

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- b. Lockett, Sheldon, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
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This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, false arrest, false imprisonment, and unreasonable search and seizure by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- c. Timothy Reeves Neal v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:20: CV-06315

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, and improper training or lack of training by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- d. Price, Dalvin v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV04234

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 12:32 p.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 October 13, 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, Marcel Rodarte, Gustavo Camacho.

7. Continuance of the Existence of a Local State of Emergency in Response to COVID-19 and Findings Related to AB 361 Exempting the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board from Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules.

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8. 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

9. Other Business

None

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:34 p.m.

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