

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN ROOM 648 OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION,
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
ON
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2005, AT 8:00 AM

Present: Chairperson Maria M. Oms, Rocky Armfield and John Krattli

The following items were presented to the Claims Board for consideration and the Board took actions as indicated in bold.

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the 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. Kianna M. v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 310 639

This matter concerns allegations that an employee of the Probation Department was involved in a sexual assault.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$300,000, plus assumption of a Medi-Cal lien of \$21,520.25 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Probation Department's budget.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- b. Sonia Hernandez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 267 369

This wrongful death lawsuit arises from an auto accident with a Fire Department vehicle.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$500,000 and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Fire Department's budget

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- c. Claim of City of Lancaster

This claim seeks compensation for costs in relocating a portion of the County's water main located in the City of Lancaster.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$54,721 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- d. Claudia Prada v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. YC 049 293

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received when plaintiff was struck by a lifeguard truck on the beach.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Action Taken:

This matter was continued to the next Claims Board meeting.

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- e. Ecology Construction, Inc. v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 319 711

This matter concerns a breach of contract arising from a construction project.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$90,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

- f. Kyan Tucker v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 082 952

This medical negligence lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at LAC+USC Medical Center.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$3,500,000, plus assumption of the Medi-Cal lien in the approximate amount of \$983,407.66, plus waiver of the medical expenses incurred by the County and that the Auditor-Controller be instructed to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Department of Health Services' budget.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

4. Approval of minutes for the meetings of the Claims Board of November 7, 2005

Action Taken:

Minutes for the November 7, 2005, Claims Board meeting were approved.

[See Supporting Document](#)

Absent: None

Vote: Unanimously carried

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Item No. 3 above.

6. 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.

7. Adjournment.