



County of Los Angeles

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TO: EDWARD YEN
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Attention: Agenda Preparation

FROM: ADRIENNE M. BYERS
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'AMB', is placed over the name 'ADRIENNE M. BYERS'.

RE: **Item for the Board of Supervisors' Agenda
County Claims Board Recommendation
Emmett Brock v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 8:24-cv-00565**



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 Case Summary, be placed on the Board of Supervisors' agenda.

AMB:lzs

Attachments

Board Agenda

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

Los Angeles County Claims Board's recommendation: Authorize settlement of the matter entitled Emmett Brock v. County of Los Angeles, et al., United States District Court Case No. 8:24-cv-00565, in the amount of \$3,000,000, and instruct the Auditor-Controller to draw a warrant to implement this settlement from the Sheriff's Department's budget.

This federal civil rights lawsuit alleges Plaintiff was illegally detained, beaten, and arrested by a Sheriff's Department deputy.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Emmet Brock v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	8:24-CV-00565-JWH-DFM
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	February 10, 2023
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 3,000,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	THOMAS E. BECK The Beck Law Firm
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	THOMAS C. HURRELL Hurrell and Cantrall LLP
NATURE OF CASE	This is a recommendation to settle for \$3,000,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Emmet Brock (Plaintiff) after he was arrested and assaulted by a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Deputy. Given the 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 \$3,000,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 229,123
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 4,710