

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT
BUENA VISTA ROOM
3500 RAMONA BOULEVARD,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA 91754
and VIA-TELECONFERENCE
ON
WEDNESDAY, July 8, 2026, AT 11:00 AM

Members Present: James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Patrick Kearney, Margaret Finlay, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, John Moreno, Marcel Rodarte.

Alternates Present: Christopher Lopez, Ernie Hernandez, Thaddeus McCormack, Michael Davitt, Daniel Jordan, Eddie De La Riva, Trolis Niebla.

Call to Order.

1. **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. **Non-Litigated Claim of Mercury Insurance ASO Teresa Aquino**

Claim No. 24-4198

This claim concerns allegation 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 \$38,264.26.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

- b. **Brandon Bryan v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-00060
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23STCV25557

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, Monell liability, false arrest, battery, intentional infliction of emotional distress and negligence.

Action taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$250,000.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

- c. **Rafael Manzano v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24SMCV01881

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

Action taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$95,000.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian

Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

d. **Alexandria Mendez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV10463

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

Action taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$100,000.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

e. **Chloe Sanchez v. Marcus Kyle Sy, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV29050

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

Action taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$550,000.

Vote: Ayes: 9-1 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla; Nays: Patrick Kearney.

f. **Isadoro Villareal, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24LBCV00548

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

Action taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$2,000,000.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

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

a. **Aaron Glazier v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**

United States District Court Case No. 2:20-CV-00924

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, unreasonable seizure, fabrication of evidence, malicious prosecution and Monell liability.

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

b. **Evelio P. Muj Aju, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24CMCV00378

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

c. **Sheila Parker. v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.**

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 25TRCV01864

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

d. **Miguel Angel Perez v. Nicholas Rubio Hernandez, et al.**

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV00054

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

e. **Marco Pinhero v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.**

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV01993

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident involving 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 12:27 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 of the June 10, 2026, 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: 11-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte. Alternate Christopher Lopez and Alternate Trolis Niebla.

[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.

None

8. Other Business.

None

9. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:29 p.m.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 10, 2026

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Chair James Bozajian at 11:19 a.m. The meeting was held at **Luminarias Restaurant, Buena Vista Room, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and via-teleconference.**

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: James Bozajian, Chair, North Division; Bryan Cook, Vice Chair, Member At-Large; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Mark Waronek, South Division; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Brian Villalobos, East Division; Jennifer Perez, Member At-Large; John Moreno, South Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director. **Alternate:** Christopher Lopez, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Ernie Hernandez, At-Large; Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Daniel Jordan, East Division; Eddie De La Riva; Central Division; Christopher Lopez, Central Division; Kelly Honig, At Large; . **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Destiny Castro, ACEO; Robert Chavez, Manager, CEO; Tim Kral, Assistant County Counsel; Joseph Langton, Principal Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Keever Rhodes Muir, Assistant County Counsel; Sanjay Athalye, Deputy County Counsel; Jorge Trujillo; Office of the County Counsel; Tri Hoang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; William Fillpot, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francisco Quintero, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ann Tremblay, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Evelyn Vega, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Eric Baruch, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Brandon Barclay, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Isabela Montez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dan Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Daniel Inez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Joe Hernandez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ernie Bille, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Paul Bartlett, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Justin Diez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Walid Ashrafnia, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Valdez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jenn Seetoo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Fred Grohler, Protelligent, Inc. **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** **California JPIA** Alex Smith, CEO; Chris Gray, Manager; Chris Kustra, Liability Program Manager; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk; Paul Zelgovitch,

COO; Ben Rodriguez, Technology Project Manager; Jennifer Torres, Administrative Analyst.

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 11:23 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. Filing of CCP 998 and FRCP 68 offers for Contract Cities cases

Action Taken:

Claims Board Authorized the California JPIA designated staff member to respond to County Counsel requests to make 998 and Rule 68 Offers of \$500,000 or less for a one-year trial period.

Vote: Ayes: 11-0 – James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, and Marcel Rodarte.

**b. Corey Crittenden v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:25-CV-02852**

This lawsuit concerns allegations of federal civil rights violations, use of excessive force, Monell liability arising from a non-fatal deputy-involved shooting.

Action Taken:

This report was presented for information only. No action was taken.

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

a. Christopher Mercurio, Estate of, et al. v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.

United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-11089

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, interference with familial relationship and Monell liability, arising from a fatal deputy-involved shooting.

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. **Curtis Markson, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 5:25-CV-01275

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, unreasonable search and seizure, First Amendment interference/retaliation, Monell liability, false imprisonment, intentional infliction of emotional distress, assault, battery, negligent infliction of emotional distress, violation of Bane Act and Ralph Act.

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. **Ledezma Perez, Fernanda v. State of California, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23NWCV01687

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- d. **Marco Pinhero v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV01993

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- e. **Marisela Salazar, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV03248

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- f. **Marlon Torres, et al. v. AutoZone Inc., et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-05103

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, battery, assault, negligence, infliction of emotional distress, defamation and slander.

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- g. **Richard New v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24CHCV01311

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 12:48 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 May 20, 2026, 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: 11-0: James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte, and Alternate Ernie Hernandez.

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 12:49 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
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