

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT
POSADA BALLROOM
3500 RAMONA BOULEVARD,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA 91754
and VIA-TELECONFERENCE
ON
WEDNESDAY, August 12, 2026, AT 11:00 AM

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

Alternates Present: Christopher Lopez, Ernie Hernandez, Thaddeus McCormack, Daniel Jordan.

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. **Sky Miller v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-09169

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, including unreasonable search and seizure, unlawful arrest,

malicious prosecution, fabrication of evidence, negligence and violation of Bane Act.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$99,000.

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

- b. **Porfirio Orozco v. Nicholas Rivas Lopez, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 25TRCV00136

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 \$37,500.

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

- c. **Non-Litigated Claims of Ofelia Sanchez de Rodriguez and Ethan Sebastian Armenta**
Claim No. 24-1423

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 \$41,000.

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

Rodarte and Alternate Thaddeus McCormack.

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

- a. **Derrion Davenport v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 25CMCV00071

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. **Vahan Kazikhanyan v. James Bermudez, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV32848

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. **Maria Del Carmen Mariz Nunez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV01341

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

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- d. **Eric Rios v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-04782

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, including unreasonable seizure, use of excessive force, Monell liability, assault and battery, intentional infliction of emotional distress, negligence and violation of Bane Act.

Action taken:

No reportable action taken.

- e. **Marisela Salazar, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22AVCV00152

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 11:49 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 of the July 8, 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, Jennifer Vasquez, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte and Alternate Thaddeus McCormack.

[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 11:52 a.m.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

July 8, 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 11:06 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; Brian Villalobos, East Division; Jennifer Perez, Member At-Large; John Moreno, South Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director. **Alternate:** Christopher Lopez, Central 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; Trolis Niebla, North Division; **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; Kevin Engelen, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Steven Rich, Deputy County Counsel; Nena Vuong, Deputy County Counsel; Robert Bailey, Deputy County Counsel; Isabela Montes, Intern County Counsel; Jorge Trujillo, Intern, County Counsel; Candace Wong, Deputy County Counsel; Ronald Kopperund, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Yolanda Figueroa, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Michael Moen, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; William Fillpot, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Fanny Lapkin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Juan Briseno, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dan Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Paul Bartlett, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Meza, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jose Hernandez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Lt. White, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Justin Diez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Victor Pueblo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Valdez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Juan Sanchez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Erick Martinez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jenn Seetoo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Alan Liu, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. **Attendees:** Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Robert Lowe, Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; Chandler Parker, Outside Counsel; Alana Rotter, Outside Counsel; Adrian Gragas, Outside Counsel; Kari Kadamatsu, Outside Counsel; **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 11:14 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 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.

4. **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 for June 11, 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.

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 12:29 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD



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