

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

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NOTICE OF MEETING

The County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board will hold its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 12, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., in the City of Monterey Park, Posada Ballroom at Luminarias Restaurant, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and Via Teleconference.

TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS

11266 Monarch St., Garden Grove, CA 92841

2432 Kristen Lee Drive, Westlake Village, CA 91361

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PUBLIC COMMENT

You may submit public comment by e-mail at wruiz@cjpia.org or by mail to: Attention: Contract Cities Claims Board Agenda, Executive Office, County Counsel, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012. Written public comment or documentation must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 11, 2025. Please include the Agenda item and meeting date in your correspondence. Comments and any other written submissions will become part of the official record of the meeting.

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Members of the public wishing to listen to open sessions of the meeting may call the California JPIA's teleconference number at 1(253) 215-8782.

Zoom Meeting Link

https://cjpia.zoom.us/j/81210708129?pwd=6L4CG7ncbiFcbwU4vLgbJ70QPv22eY.1

Meeting ID: 812 1070 8129

Passcode: 594176 One tap mobile +12532158782

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call.
- 2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.
- 3. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.
 - a. <u>Halliday, Dimieari, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-06877

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, unlawful search and seizure, false arrest and imprisonment, conspiracy, Monell liability and negligence.

See supporting documents

b. <u>Martinez, Adrian v. County of Los Angeles.</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23SMCV04047

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, unreasonable use of deadly force, battery and negligence involving Sheriff's Deputies.

See supporting documents

- 4. Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).
- a. <u>Avalos, Juan, et al, v, Durghinescu, Daniel, et al, et al.</u>
 Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV01219

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

b. <u>Manzano, Raphael v. County of Los Angeles.</u>
 Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24SMCV01881

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

c. <u>Mendez, Alexandria, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV10463

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

d. Monzon, Marvin v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV01041

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

e. Nunez, Maria Del Carmen Mariz, 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 a Sheriff's Deputy.

f. Orellana, Isael, et al. v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.

United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-09002

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violation, use of excessive force, interference with familiar relationship, Monell liability, violation of Bane Act, negligence, battery, violation of Ralph Act.

g. Quan, Jennie, et al. v. County of Los Angeles.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-04805

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violation, use of excessive force, unreasonable search and seizure, denial of medical care, Monell liability, negligence, battery, violation of Bane Act.

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h. Ramirez, Anna Laura, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-00141

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, Bane Act violation, intentional infliction of emotional distress involving Sheriff's Deputies.

i. Villareal, Isadoro, 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 a Sheriff's Deputy.

j. Zheng, Xianghua v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV00568

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

- 5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
- 6. Approval of Minutes for the October 15, 2025, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

See supporting documents

- 7. Other Business
- 8. Adjournment

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Dimieari Halliday et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et

al.

CASE NUMBER 2:23-CV-06877

COURT United States District Court

DATE FILED August 21, 2023

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 300,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF JAMES DO KIM

Law Offices of Do Kim, APLC

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY MINAS SAMUELIAN

Senior Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This is a recommendation to settle for \$300,000

inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal and State civil rights lawsuit filed by Dimieari Halliday, Jarrad Monk, and Brandon Waller, alleging unlawful

detention and false arrest.

Given the high 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 \$300,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 56,591

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 4,685

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Adrian Martinez v. County of Los Angeles

CASE NUMBER 23SMCV04047

COURT Los Angeles County Superior Court

DATE FILED August 28, 2023

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 4,000,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Brian Dunn & Megan Gyongyos

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY Minas Samuelian

Senior Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This is a recommendation to settle for \$4,000,000

inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a lawsuit filed by Adrian Martinez (Plaintiff), alleging negligence

and battery against the County.

Given the high 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 \$4,000,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 93,030

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 18,451

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

October 15, 2025

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Vice Chair Brian Villalobos at 11:07 a.m. The meeting was held at Luminarias Restaurant, Posada Room, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and via-teleconference.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Mark Waronek, Chair, South Division; Brian Villalobos, Vice Chair, East Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; James Bozajian, North Division; Bryan Cook, Member at-Large; John Moreno, South Division, Jennifer Perez, Member At-Large; Ken Striplin, North Division; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director. Alternate: Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Michael Davitt, East Division Eddie De La Riva; Central Division; Kelly Honig, Alternate At-Large; Daniel Jordan, Alternate, East Division; County of Los Angeles Staff: Tim Kral, Assistant County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Kevin Engelien, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Michael Gordon, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Anna Reitano, Deputy County Counsel; Jamie Lopez, Deputy County Counsel; Tri Hoang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Valdez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Nicole Palomino, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francisco Quintero, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dan Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; François Chang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Thomas Kim, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Richard Cartmill, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ann Tremblay, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Joshua Bardon, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Janet Huoth, los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Brandon Barclay, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Christopher Minott, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Mathew King, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Yolanda Figueroa, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ron Kopperud, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jennifer Seetoo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Leutenant White, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Damon Jones, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Daniel Inez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Attendees: Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc.; Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Reynold Sakui, Outside Counsel. Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA Alex Smith, Chief Executive Officer; Chris Gray,

Insurance Programs Manager; Paul Zeglovitch, Chief Operationg Officer; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk; 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 11:09 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. <u>Castro, Regina v. County of Los Angeles. et al</u>
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-02810

This lawsuit concerns allegations of federal and state civil rights violation, use of excessive force, unreasonable seizure, Monell liability, battery, negligence, violation of Bane Act arising from a fatal shooting during an investigatory stop 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 \$2,550,000.00.

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

b. <u>Garcia, Salvador, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV00967

This lawsuit concerns allegations of federal and civil rights violation, negligence, assault and battery, negligent and intentional infliction of emotional distress arising from a fatal shooting involving Sheriff's deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$1,250,000.00.

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

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c. <u>Truss, Krystal v. Christian Martin, et al.</u>
 Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CHCV03304

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 \$70,000.00.

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

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

a. <u>Campos, Antonio, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV22501.

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

b. Hand, Allisun v. County of Los Angeles, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23TRCV02696

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

c. Ramirez Cabrera, Abigail, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23TRCV03050

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

d. 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:

No reportable action taken.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 12:26 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 September 10, 2025, 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, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez; Jennifer Vasquez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte..

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 12:28 p.m.

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