

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD VIA-TELECONFERENCE

ON

WEDNESDAY, November 10, 2021, AT 11:00 AM

Members Present: Mark Waronek, James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Mark Alexander, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Marcel Rodarte, Jennifer Vasquez, Bryan Cook, Lindsey Horvath.

Alternates Present: *Steve Hofbauer, Kevin Chun, John Moreno, Rob Wishner, Gustavo Camacho, Jason Caudle, Michael Davitt, Thaddeus McCormack, Jennifer Perez, Gloria Molleda.*

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **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 Claims of Roger Jackson and Mercury Insurance Company
CRM No. 20-1162716*001

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 \$25,550.24.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

[See Supporting Document](#)

- b. Non-Litigated Claims of Jose Oscar Yanez, Christian Martinez, Gabino Arellano, Diana Gomez, and Jacqueline Gomez
CRM No. 20-1162406*006

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 \$52,241.58.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

[See Supporting Document](#)

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

- a. Dennis Garr v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV05046

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- b. Lockett, Sheldon, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:18-CV-05838

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, false arrest, false imprisonment, and unreasonable search and seizure by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- c. Timothy Reeves Neal v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:20: CV-06315

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, and improper training or lack of training by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

- d. Price, Dalvin v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV04234

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations and excessive force by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Items No. 3 and No. 4 above.

6. Approval of the minutes of the October 13, 2021 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 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

[See Supporting Document](#)

- 7. Continuance of the Existence of a Local State of Emergency in Response to COVID-19 and Findings Related to AB 361 Exempting the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board from Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules.**
- 8. 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.

- 9. Other Business.**

None

- 10. Adjournment.**

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Non-Litigated Claims of Roger Jackson and Mercury Insurance Company v. County of Los Angeles
CASE NUMBER	N/A
COURT	N/A
DATE FILED	N/A
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department Contract Cities Trust Fund – Bellflower
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 24,550.24
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	N/A
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Joseph A. Langton Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This is a recommendation to settle for \$24,550.24, claims brought by Roger Jackson and Mercury Insurance Company, (collectively, "Claimants") for damages sustained in an automobile accident on August 13, 2020. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full settlement of the claim is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 0
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 0

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Non-Litigated Claims of Jose Oscar Yanez, Christian Martinez, Gabino Arellano, Diana Gomez, and Jacqueline Gomez
CASE NUMBER	N/A
COURT	N/A
DATE FILED	N/A
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department Contract Cities Trust Fund – Palmdale
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 52,241.58
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Jordan Peagler; MKP Law Group
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Joseph A. Langton Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This claim arises from a Sheriff's Department automobile accident involving Deputy Kyle Dingman who rear-ended Claimants Jose Oscar Yanez, Christian Martinez, Gabino Arellano, Diana Gomez, and Jacqueline Gomez. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full settlement of the claim is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 0
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 0

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

October 13, 2021

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by James Bozajian at 11:01 a.m. The meeting was held via-teleconference.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: James Bozajian, Chair; Mark Waronek, South Division; John Moreno, South Division; At-Large; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Mark Alexander, East Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; At-Large; Bryan Cook, At-Large; Lindsey Horvath, At-Large; **Alternate:** Steve Hofbauer, North Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Rob Wishner, East Division; Jason Caudle, North Division; Gloria Molleda, At-Large; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Elizabeth D. Miller, Assistant County Counsel; Adrian Gragas, Assistant County Counsel; Steve Robles; County of Los Angeles; Joseph Langton, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Deputy County Counsel; Bryan Aguilera, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Pilar Chavez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Albert Maldonado, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Robert Lowe; Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; Chris Gray, Alliant Insurance Services, Inc.; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Sylvia Hernandez, Claims Manager, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Alex Smith, Deputy Executive Officer; Paul Zeglovitch, Liability Program Manager; Alex Smith, Executive Officer; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk.

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 11:03 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. Bottros, Moheb, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:21-CV-05227

This lawsuit concerns allegations of false arrest and failure to summon medical attention by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$85,000.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook,
Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney,
John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez,
Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

- b. Gonzalez Rivas, Georgina v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV17817

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

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$65,000.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook,
Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney,
John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez,
Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

- c. Lombardi, Michael v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV04771

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force and civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

This lawsuit concerns allegations of false arrest and failure to summon medical attention by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$475,000.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook,
Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney,
John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez,
Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

- d. Non-Litigated Auto Liability Claims of Chung Sook Choi-Kwon, the Chung S. Choi-Kwon Revocable Trust, Gwasoo Baik aka, Rachel Baik aka Hyoyoung Baik, and Changwoo Jang
CRM No. 21-1159832*001 *002

This lawsuit concerns allegations of property damage involving a Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$115,652.53.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook,
Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney,
John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez,
Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

- e. Virgen, Genevie Isabel v. Rogers Brett Randall, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV01504

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 \$100,000.

Vote: Ayes: 11 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

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

- a. Robert Kelly v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:19: cv-07629

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, false imprisonment, excessive force, and failure to intervene by 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 11:38 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 for August 11, 2021, 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 - Mark Alexander, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Lindsey Horvath, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, 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.**

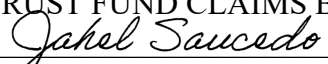
None

- 8. Other Business**

None

- 9. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD


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