STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD

HELD IN PERSON AND ONLINE VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE

ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023, AT 9:30 A.M.

Present: Chair Steve Robles, Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez

Mr. Robles was present for items 3.a. through 3.e. only.

1. Call to Order.

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.

An unidentified person appeared on the public teleconference phone line and wanted to hear the reportable action related to item 3K on the agenda.

The person, later identified as Constance Coats, was informed that item 3K passed.

2. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (a)).

a. Non-Litigated Claim of Spartan Recoveries

This claim seeks compensation for property damage caused by an automobile accident involving a Department of Public Works employee.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.a. in the amount of $27,717.76.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

b. Jesus Palacio v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number 21STCV41804

This lawsuit arises from injuries allegedly sustained in an automobile accident involving a Department of Parks and Recreation employee.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.b. in the amount of $80,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Document

c. **Cristina Calderon Rico v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:22-CV-00038

This federal civil rights lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Sheriff's Department employee at a detention facility.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.c. in the amount of $49,000. This amount was incorrect and the item will appear on the next Claims Board agenda with the correct settlement amount.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Document

d. **Julio C. Blandon Alvarado v. Los Angeles County, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number: 21STCV18550

This lawsuit arises from injuries allegedly sustained in an automobile accident involving a Sheriff's Department lieutenant.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.d. in the amount of $175,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Documents

e. **Devin Sejas v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:21-CV-07553

This civil rights lawsuit against the Sheriff's Department alleges excessive use of force.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.e. in the amount of $75,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Document

f. **Niani Shabazz, et al., v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 2:21-CV-06111

This wrongful death and civil rights lawsuit against the Sheriff's Department arises from the fatal deputy-involved shooting.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.f. in the amount of $275,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Documents

g. **Los Angeles Times Communications, LLC v. County of Los Angeles**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCP02106

This lawsuit involves a dispute over the production of records by the Sheriff's Department under the California Public Records Act.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.g. in the amount of $160,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Document

h. **Ignacio Escalante v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court No. 19STCV29783

This civil rights lawsuit against the Sheriff's Department alleges excessive use of force.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.h. in the amount of $250,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Documents

i. Non-Litigated Claim of Keenan I. Stott

This claim against the Department of Health Services alleges medical malpractice for injuries suffered while receiving care at High Desert Regional Health Center.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.i. in the amount of $350,000.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

See Supporting Documents

j. Taren Moody v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV14273

This lawsuit against the Department of Health Services alleges disability discrimination, and failure to accommodate.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.j. in the amount of $187,510.88.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

k. Constance Coats v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV18037

This lawsuit against the Department of Children and Family Services alleges disability discrimination, and sexual harassment; settlement is recommended in the amount of $81,400.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.k. in the amount of $81,400.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez
Absent: 1 – Steve Robles

3. Approval of the Minutes of the November 20, 2023, regular meeting of the Claims Board.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved the Minutes of the November 6, 2023, meeting.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Steve Robles, and Oscar Valdez
Abstention: 1 – Adrienne M. Byers

See Supporting Document

4. 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 an 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.

5. Adjournment.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Jesus Palacio v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER		21STCV41804
COURT		Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED		November 12, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Parks and Recreation
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	80,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		Arturo Salinas, Esq Law Offices of Jacob Emrani
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		LaTasha N. Corry Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This incident occurred on September 29, 2020, when Plaintiff's vehicle was rear-ended by Department of Parks and Recreation employee's vehicle at the intersection of Telegraph Road and Camfield Avenue in Commerce, California. Plaintiff claims he sustained severe injuries as a result of the accident. Given the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of $80,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	25,571
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	9,905

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Cristina Calderon Rico, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al
CASE NUMBER	21-CV-00038
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	May 17, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$ 49,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Dale K. Galipo, Esq. Law Offices of Dale K. Galipo
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Millicent L. Rolon Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This is a recommendation to settle for $49,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Cristina Calderon Rico ("Plaintiff") alleging she was sexually assaulted by a Los Angeles Sheriff's Department ("LASD") Deputy, while she was incarcerated at the Century Regional Detention Facility ("CRDF"). 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 $49,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$ 113,428
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$ 5,950

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Julio C. Blandon Alvarado v. Los Angeles County, et al.
CASE NUMBER		21STCV18550
COURT		Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED		May 18, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	175,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		DARIO C. GOMEZ, ESQ. Law Offices of Jacob Emrani, APC
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		ADRIAN G. GRAGAS Assistant County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This case involves a motor vehicle accident that occurred in Los Angeles on May 22, 2019, when a Sheriff's Lieutenant made an unsafe merge in stop-and-go traffic, and collided with Plaintiff Julio Blandon's vehicle. Plaintiff alleges he was injured and sustained damages and filed suit. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	15,011
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	26,901

Case Name:	Alvarado, Julio C. Blandon v. County of Los Angeles

County of Los Angeles
Summary Corrective Action Plan

Summary Corrective Action Plan

The intent of this form is to assist departments in writing a corrective action plan summary for attachment to the settlement documents developed for the Board of Supervisors and/or the County of Los Angeles Claims Board. The summary should be a specific overview of the claims/lawsuits' identified root causes and corrective actions (status, time frame, and responsible party). This summary does not replace the Corrective Action Plan form. If there is a question related to confidentiality, please consult County Counsel.

Date of incident/event:	May 22, 2019
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	Plaintiff alleges various injuries and property damage arising out of a traffic collision involving an on-duty Deputy Sheriff. On May 22, 2019, the involved employee was driving an unmarked Dodge Charger vehicle northbound on Riverside Drive in the City of Los Angeles. At the time, traffic was stop and go and the road was wet due to rain. The lane the employee was traveling in ended, requiring the employee to merge. The employee turned his head toward the lane he was attempting to merge into. When the employee looked forward again, they realized traffic ahead of them had come to a full stop. The employee attempted to stop their vehicle, but was unable to avoid a collision. Their estimated speed at the time of the collision was 10-15 MPH. The Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) responded and took a traffic collision report. LAPD determined the employee was at fault for following too closely.

1. Briefly describe the **root cause(s)** of the claim/lawsuit:

A Departmental root cause in this incident was the involved employee driving in a manner that violated the California Vehicle Code.

Case Name:	Alvarado, Julio C. Blandon v. County of Los Angeles

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Summary Corrective Action Plan

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

- Traffic Collision Investigation – The incident was thoroughly investigated by the LAPD. LAPD determined the involved employee was primarily responsible for the accident.
- Supervisor's Report of Incident or Damage to County Vehicle – A thorough administrative investigation was conducted of the incident. Appropriate administrative action was taken.
- Employee Risk Assessment – A comprehensive review of the involved deputy sheriff's work history was conducted after this incident. This review included uses of force, civil claims, and complaints, as well as traffic collisions. The review also noted the involved employee was exempt from biannual driving refresh training due to their rank and division of assignment (custody).
- Training – The involved employee's unit commander recommended an 8-hour driving course as a result of this incident. The recommended course was curtailed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Name: (Risk Management Coordinator) Commander Tania E. Plunkett	
Signature: TePlunkett	Date: 6.14.23
Name: (Department Head) Chief Paula L. Tokar	
Signature: Paula L. Tokar	Date: 6/21/23

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Are the corrective actions applicable to other departments within the County?

- ☐ Yes, the corrective actions potentially have County-wide applicability.
- ☐ No, the corrective actions are applicable only to this department.

Name: (Risk Management Inspector General)	
Signature:	Date:

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Devin Sejas v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER		2:21-CV-07552
COURT		United States District Court
DATE FILED		July 6, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	75,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		Stephen A. King, Esq. Kings Justice Law
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		Richard Hsueh Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This is a recommendation to settle the federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Devin Sejas ("Plaintiff") arising out of his participation in a protest on June 21, 2020, for a sum of $75,000, inclusive of attorney's fees and costs. Due to 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 $75,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	74,647
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	3,816

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Shabazz, Niani v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER		2:21-CV-06111
COURT		United States District Court
DATE FILED		July 30, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	275,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		Barrett S. Litt, Esq. McLane, Bednarski & Litt, LLP
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		Richard Hsueh Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This is a recommendation to settle for $275,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Niani Shabazz and Tajanique Williams (collectively "Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves individually and as successors-in-interest to the Estate of Dana Mitchell Young (collectively "Plaintiffs") in connection with the fatal shooting of Mr. Young in October 2020. Due to 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 $275,0000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	76,727
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	82,671

Case Name: Niani Shabazz, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

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Date of incident/event:	October 15, 2020, at approximately 3:49 a.m.
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	Summary Corrective Action Plan 2023-75 **Details provided in this document summarize the incident. The information provided is a culmination of various sources to provide an abstract of the incident.** **The following call for service was made to the Los Angeles Police Department:** On October 15, 2020, at approximately 3:30 a.m., a female adult (Victim One) was working as a sex worker walking on Figueroa Street from 102nd Street in South Los Angeles. Victim One was approached by a male adult (Decedent), wearing a gray hoodie, shorts, and a hat. The Decedent was on foot when he jammed a black, long, revolver, against her waist. The Decedent demanded, "Give me all your f**king money!" Victim One gave the Decedent $100 dollars from inside the boots she was wearing. The Decedent began to push Victim One, forcing her to walk from 102nd Street to 103rd Street. The Decedent then struck Victim One with the firearm in the back of the head, and forced her into a nearby vehicle (a silver Volkswagen, four-door Tiguan, California license plate 6HGJ377). The Decedent threatened, "If you try to run, I'll kill you!" Another sex worker (Witness One), saw the kidnapping and told another sex worker (Witness Two) what occurred. Witness Two quickly went to Victim One's location. Upon her arrival, she observed Witness One and an unknown bystander point towards a Volkswagen as they yelled, "She is in there!" The Volkswagen continued westbound on 104th Street from Figueroa Street, with Victim One in the vehicle. Witness One called 9-1-1, which routed the call to the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). Two LAPD uniformed officers driving a marked black and white police vehicle responded to 103rd Street and Figueroa Street, in the city of Los Angeles, and contacted Witness One. Witness One told the officers a Black man (the Decedent) kidnapped her friend (Victim One), and she was tracking her using a cellphone. Witness One showed the officers her cellphone, which had an application called Life 360. The officers informed other LAPD units of the global positioning system (GPS) signal path.

	LAPD Officers used the cellphone application to locate the Decedent's vehicle at a parking lot on New Hampshire Avenue, south of Imperial Highway. Upon their arrival, both officers checked surrounding vehicles, but did not locate Victim One or the Decedent. LAPD Officers stayed in the immediate area and continued to search for Victim One and the Decedent. LAPD Officers saw a Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy and advised him of their incident and asked if he could be on the lookout for the suspect and Victim One. LAPD Officers continued to search the immediate area when they heard a "radio call" broadcast to meet Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputies at 120th Street and Normandie Avenue, regarding an assault with a deadly weapon which occurred on 120th Street and Figueroa Street. **LASD Call for Service** At approximately 3:49 a.m., the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, (LASD) Sheriff's Communication Center, voiced an "Assault with a Deadly Weapon (firearm) just occurred," priority call for service to South Los Angeles Station's patrol deputies. The reporting party stated he was at 113th Street and Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles when he was flagged down by an unknown female (Victim One's friend). The female stated her friend was kidnapped, and begged the reporting party to follow the Decedent's vehicle (silver Volkswagen). The reporting party allowed the unknown female to enter his vehicle, and proceeded to follow the Decedent's vehicle north on Normandie Avenue, before the Decedent shot at them moments later. The reporting party pulled over and contacted police. Two marked, LASD, black and white patrol units manned with two deputy sheriffs each, were assigned, and responded to the call for service. South Los Angeles Station desk personnel updated the call to advise responding units the victims/witnesses related to the call were now parked at 120th Street and Normandie Avenue. **The following statement is a summary of homicide detectives' Interview with Deputy One and Deputy Two:** Deputies One and Two responded to 120th Street and Normandie Avenue to assist deputies with a call which indicated a silver vehicle was shooting at the informants. Deputy One heard an unknown female informant speaking to deputies who were already at the location. The informant said her friend was inside of the Decedent's vehicle, and noted she had the ability to track her friend's cellphone. Deputies One and Two asked the informant if they could use her cellphone to track the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy One told Deputy Two the cellphone was "pinging" near Imperial Highway and New Hampshire Avenue.

	Deputies One and Two drove southbound on New Hampshire Avenue from Imperial Highway towards the location of the cellphone signal, and located a silver Volkswagen sport utility vehicle identical to that described by the informant, in the park and ride parking lot. Deputies One and Two exited their patrol vehicle, and approached the Decedent's vehicle, while Deputy One called out to the possible occupants. There was no response. Deputy One approached the driver's side while Deputy Two approached the passenger side of the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy Two walked to the driver's side of the Decedent's vehicle with his firearm drawn. The light on his firearm illuminated the vehicle and revealed what he believed to be a female based on the hair in the back seat. Deputy Two instructed the victim to exit the vehicle. Simultaneously, Deputy Two saw a male Black sit up in the driver's seat, start the vehicle, and drive eastbound, as the victim exited the moving vehicle. Deputy Two moved out of the way of the vehicle, as Deputies Three and Four arrived and initiated a pursuit of the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy One requested a unit to respond the the park and ride parking lot to assist Victim One, who jumped out of the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy One observed Deputies Three and Four arrive at the park and ride parking lot, as the Decedent was driving at a high rate of speed, and they began to follow the Decedent's vehicle. Via their Department-issued hand-held radio, Deputy One heard Deputies Three and Four broadcast they were involved in a vehicle pursuit. Deputies One and Two followed and became the secondary unit involved in the vehicle pursuit. Although Deputies One and Two lost sight of Deputies Three and Four, they heard radio traffic stating the pursuit was now traveling westbound on 108th Street. Deputies One and Two turned onto 108th Street (cul-de-sac), and stopped their vehicle behind the primary unit (Deputies Three and Four). While seated in the patrol vehicle, Deputy One heard approximately 5 to 7 gunshots. Deputy One indicated he was unable to see Deputies Three and Four from where he was sitting, nor could he see the Decedent. When Deputy One heard the gunshots, he thought the Decedent was shooting at him and his partners, so he quickly exited the patrol vehicle, drew his duty weapon from the holster, and took cover near the rear of his patrol vehicle. Deputy One could not see Deputy Two, and transmitted emergent radio traffic stating a deputy-involved shooting occurred. Deputy One requested paramedics and again requested a unit to respond to the park and ride parking lot to meet with Victim One. Deputy One briefly observed the Decedent on the sidewalk, but redirected his attention to the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy One wanted to ensure there were no additional occupants and/or additional victim(s) inside. Deputy One cleared the Decedent's vehicle and observed a woman's clothing inside. Additionally, Deputy One located a revolver underneath the driver's seat.

	The following statement is a summary of homicide detectives' interview with Deputies Three and Four: At approximately 3:40 a.m. Deputy Three and his partner Deputy Four, heard an assault with a deadly weapon priority call for service dispatched over the radio. The call stated the informant was shot at, and was later updated to indicate the informant was driving behind the person who shot at him. Deputies Three and Four, who were assigned as the assisting unit, responded to the updated location in the call (120th Street and Normandie Avenue) to confer with the informant. When Deputy Three arrived at the location, he saw a male and female informant speaking to Deputies One and Two. Deputy Three contacted the female informant who explained a male (the Decedent) kidnapped her friend (Victim One) and was going to kill her. Deputy Three calmed the informant, and inquired as to the whereabouts of Victim One. The informant explained an unknown male (the Decedent) kidnapped her friend on Figueroa Street. She stopped a passing vehicle with an unknown male driving, and explained her friend (Victim One) was kidnapped. She then entered the vehicle with the unknown male, and they followed the Decedent's vehicle. The informant explained she was near a roundabout when the Decedent shot at them but missed. They then pulled over and called police. The informant showed her cellphone to Deputy Three, and indicated she was tracking Victim One by using a global positioning system (GPS) locator application. There was a circle "pinging" near the area of Imperial Highway and New Hampshire Avenue. When Deputies One and Two arrived, Deputy Three informed them of his findings, and said the tracking application on Victim Three's phone was tracking both Victim One and the Decedent who were in a silver vehicle. Deputies Three and Four assisted with the search for Victim One and the Decedent. Deputy Three utilized his vehicle's Mobile Digital Computer Mapper function, and saw Deputies One and Two were at 115th Place and New Hampshire Avenue, which Deputy Three recognized as a park and ride parking lot. As Deputies Three and Four drove towards the parking lot to locate Deputies One and Two, Deputy Three looked through a west gate, and saw a vehicle matching the description of the Decedent's vehicle backed into a parking stall. Deputy Three saw Deputies One and Two standing on either side of the Decedent's vehicle with their firearms pointed towards the windshield. Deputy Four accelerated and turned into the parking lot. Simultaneously, Deputy Three heard the tires of the Decedent 's vehicle screeching, and observed Deputies One and Two step back, appearing startled. Deputy Four alerted Deputy Three he smelled gunpowder, and believed Deputies One and Two may have shot at the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy Three did not smell anything, but deduced the Decedent may have shot at Deputies One and Two.

	Deputies Three and Four followed the vehicle as it sped out of the parking lot, and announced over the radio they were in a vehicle pursuit of the Decedent's vehicle. The Decedent continued on Vermont Avenue, driving recklessly in opposing lanes of travel. Deputy Three was unsure if the Victim was still inside the Decedent's vehicle, but believed the Decedent was an immediate threat due to the fact he kidnapped Victim One and possibly shot at unknown individuals. The Decedent's vehicle continued westbound on 108th Street, and collided at the end of the cul-de-sac. When the Decedent exited the front driver's side of the vehicle, Deputy Four saw a black object in the Decedent's left hand, and what he believed was a firearm in the Decedent's raised right hand. The Decedent looked towards Deputy Three, as he attempted to establish cover behind his patrol vehicle, while maintaining a visual of the Decedent. The Decedent again looked back towards Deputy Three's patrol vehicle, ran eastbound on the south sidewalk, and away from his vehicle. Deputy Three believed the Decedent would run to the rear of his patrol vehicle and shoot him and his partner. With his firearm drawn, Deputy Three moved east along the passenger side to the rear of his patrol vehicle. Deputy Three took a few steps south towards the sidewalk and found himself face to face with the Decedent. The Decedent began to raise his right arm. Believing the Decedent was going to shoot him, Deputy Three discharged his firearm, causing the Decedent to fall to the ground. Deputy Three and Deputy Four approached the Decedent. Deputy Three did not see anything in the Decedent's left hand, but saw a COVID-19 style mask in his open right hand. Deputy Three did not see a firearm. Deputies One and Two arrived, and Deputy Two assisted Deputy Four in handcuffing the Decedent. Deputy One initiated emergent radio traffic advising a deputy-involved shooting occurred, and requested emergency medical services. Los Angeles County Fire Engine #14 responded to the location. The Decedent sustained several gunshot wounds. LACo Fire Department assessed the Decedent's injuries, and the responding paramedic pronounced him deceased at 4:12 a.m. Deputy Two advised Deputy Three a firearm was recovered from the Decedent's vehicle. Deputy Three confirmed the findings when he looked inside the Decedent's vehicle with a flashlight and saw a firearm. Deputy Three discontinued his involvement in the incident, and a supervisor transported him to South Los Angeles Station. The LAPD subsequently documented the robbery, assault, and kidnapping for rape violations, as these incidents occurred within their jurisdiction.

	Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau investigators submitted the facts, evidence, and information about the incident to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Justice System Integrity Division. On July 25, 2022, the Los Angeles County District's Attorney's Office determined, given the facts and circumstances known to and/or believed by Deputy Three at the time of the shooting, he believed the Decedent raised a firearm at him, therefore deeming his actions reasonable and lawful. Moreover, the available evidence supported Deputy Three's belief the Decedent, if not apprehended, presented an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death to the public. On January 1, 2020, California Assembly Bill 392, Mandating Standard for Use of Deadly Force, redefined the circumstances. The law deemed deadly force justifiable only when any peace officer, who has reasonable cause to believe, based on the totality of the circumstances, that deadly force is necessary to defend against an imminent threat of death. Additionally, the person to be arrested must have committed a public offense which threatened or resulted in serious bodily injury. Deputy Three's use of deadly force against the Decedent was determined to be in lawful self-defense, in the lawful defense of others, and a lawful attempt to apprehend a dangerous fleeing felon.

1. Briefly describe the **root cause(s)** of the claim/lawsuit:

A **Department** root cause in this incident was Deputy Three's use of deadly force against the Decedent.

A **Department** root cause in this incident was Deputy Three's firing of 7-8 gunshots in rapid succession without reassessment.

A **Department** root cause in this incident was Deputy Three's lack of verbal commands and de-escalation.

A Department root cause in this incident was the lack of tactical coordination between Deputies Three and Four upon making contact with the Decedent.

A **Department** root cause in this incident was the deputies' lack of Body-Worn Cameras. The recorded video would have captured the deputies' contact with the Decedent to prove or disprove the plaintiff's allegations.

A **non-Department** root cause in this incident was the Decedent's felonious assault, kidnapping, attempted rape, and use of a firearm against public members and deputy sheriffs.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

Criminal Investigation

This incident was investigated by the Sheriff's Homicide Bureau to determine if any criminal misconduct occurred.

The investigative materials of the incident were submitted to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Justice System Integrity Division for evaluation and criminal filing consideration.

On July 25, 2022, the District Attorney's Office determined the third deputy sheriff's belief that deadly force was necessary and reasonable, given the totality of the circumstances, and therefore lawful. The use of deadly force was in lawful self-defense, in lawful defense of others, and a lawful attempt to apprehend a dangerous fleeing felon.

Internal Affairs Bureau Investigation

The incident has been assigned to the Internal Affairs Bureau to determine if any Department policy violations occurred before, during, or after the incident. In accordance with the California Government Code governing the Police Officer's Bill of Rights, a statute date was set after the conclusion of the administrative investigation.

At the conclusion of the investigation, it was determined Deputy One and Deputy Two were in violation of Department policy.

Appropriate action has been taken.

The deputies involved in this incident received additional training as it pertains to the circumstances surrounding this incident.

Body-Worn Camera

As of January 2021, all personnel assigned to South Los Angeles Station have been issued a Body-Worn Camera (BWC) to ensure all public contact is captured and transparent. The use of BWCs ensures reliable recording of enforcement and investigative contacts with the public. The Department established policy and procedures for the purpose, use, and deployment of the Department issued BWC.

Tactical Debriefing

In the days following the incident, a briefing was facilitated on the events known at the time of the incident to all sworn South Los Angeles Station personnel. Emphasis was placed on officer safety, tactical preparedness, and lessons learned to assist employees for future situations similar in nature.

Briefings occurred on all shifts and were given by field sergeants and watch commanders of South Los Angeles Station.

3. Are the corrective actions addressing Department-wide system issues?

☐ Yes – The corrective actions address Department-wide system issues.

☒ No – The corrective actions are only applicable to the affected parties.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Name: (Risk Management Coordinator) Shawnee N. Hinchman, Captain Risk Management Bureau	
Signature:	Date: 10/25/2023

Name: (Department Head) Myron Johnson, A/Assistant Sheriff Patrol Operations	
Signature:	Date: 10/31/23

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Are the corrective actions applicable to other departments within the County?

☐ Yes, the corrective actions potentially have County-wide applicability.

☐ No, the corrective actions are applicable only to this Department.

X

Name: Daniela Prowizor-Lacayo (Risk Management Inspector General)	
Signature: Daniela Prowizor	Date: 10/31/2023

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Los Angeles Times Communications, LLC v. County of Los Angeles
CASE NUMBER		20STCP02106
COURT		Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED		June 30, 2020
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	160,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		Jeffrey Glasser, Esq. Los Angeles Times Communications, LLC Kelly Aviles, Esq. Law Offices of Kelly Aviles
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		Roderick E. Sasis Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This is a recommendation to settle for $160,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a California Public Records Act lawsuit filed by the Los Angeles Times against the County. Due to 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 $160,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	377,185
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	1,056

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Escalante, Ignacio v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER		19STCV29783
COURT		Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED		August 22, 2019
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	250,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		Yana Henriks, Esq.
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		Minas Samuelian Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		This is a recommendation to settle for $250,000, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, this state civil rights lawsuit filed by Plaintiff Ignacio Escalante against the County and Deputy Timothy Hauser ("Defendants"), alleging assault, battery, negligence and violation of the Bane Act arising out of Plaintiff's detention and 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 $250,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	315,577
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	22,257

Case Name: Ignacio Escalante v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

Summary Corrective Action Plan

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Date of incident/event:	September 26, 2018, approximately 10:30 p.m.
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	Details provided in this document summarize the incident. The information provided is a culmination of various sources to provide an abstract of the incident. The following is a summary of the involved deputy sheriff personnel criminal and supplemental reports: On September 25, 2018, at approximately 2230 hours, Compton Station Sheriff's Deputies One and Two were driving south on Bradfield Avenue toward Alondra Boulevard in the city of Compton. They observed a gray sedan parked along the east curb line of Bradfield Avenue, south of Alondra Boulevard, occupied by two people (the Plaintiff and Suspect Two). Deputies One and Two saw a female driver (Suspect Two), exit the vehicle and walk into a nearby property. Deputy One recognized the property and its vicinity as a high-crime area in which he has previously affected arrests for drugs and a stolen vehicle. As Deputies One and Two drove towards the vehicle, Deputy One observed the Plaintiff (who remained in the vehicle), nervously look in his direction before lowering his hands toward the floorboard of the vehicle. Deputy One associated the behavior with that of an individual attempting to conceal/retrieve a firearm or engage in assaultive behavior. Deputies One and Two approached the Plaintiff's vehicle and inquired about his parole/probation status, to which the Plaintiff explained he was on active felony probation with search conditions for possession of brass knuckles. Deputy One conducted a probation compliance search of the Plaintiff, and recovered five clear plastic baggies from the Plaintiff's front right coin pocket, several of which contained an off-white substance resembling methamphetamine. Prior to handcuffing him, Deputy One controlled the Plaintiff by grasping his interlaced fingers with his left hand, but the Plaintiff forcefully pulled his hands away and ran from Deputy One. As the Plaintiff ran away, Deputy One saw what he believed was the "backstrap" of a semi-automatic handgun protruding from the front right portion of the Plaintiff's waistband. The Plaintiff grabbed his waistband as if attempting to retain the firearm, while continuing to run westbound.

	Deputy One initiated a foot pursuit, while Deputy Two broadcasted emergent radio traffic requesting additional deputy sheriffs to the location. A patrol sergeant (Sergeant One) driving near the location observed the Plaintiff evading deputies, while continuously adjusting the right side of his waistband, as if attempting to retain a firearm. Sergeant One saw the Plaintiff stop and adjust the backstrap of a firearm before jumping over a wall and into the crawlspace of a nearby residence. Sergeant One took a containment position, along with Deputies One, Two, and responding deputy personnel. Deputies One and Two requested the Los Angeles County Sherrif's Department helicopter, and the Special Enforcement Bureau Canine Services Detail to assist them in locating the Plaintiff, due to the inaccessible area of the crawl space. Deputy Three along with a Department helicopter, commenced 20 minutes of announcements in English and Spanish to no avail. The Department canine was then deployed as a safer means of locating the Plaintiff, as he posed an immediate threat to the community and deputy sheriffs, and ran from uniformed deputy sheriffs while in possession of a firearm. Deputy Three assembled a search team, and along with his canine, entered the rear of the residence where the Plaintiff was believed to be hiding. They were met with negative results. Deputy Three and his team located an open mesh-covered vent in the crawl space under the target residence, and conducted additional announcements and a visual inspection, before sending the canine into the crawl space. The canine traveled to the far northwest corner of the crawl space before Deputy Three lost sight of him. A short time later, he saw a plume of dust, and heard the Plaintiff grunting. Deputy Three gave the Plaintiff several commands to crawl out of the space with his hands visible, and after a time, Deputy Three saw the Plaintiff move to an area where he was visible. The Plaintiff was covered in dirt as if he buried himself to avoid detection. Deputy Three saw his canine had a bite hold on the Plaintiff's right forearm, and gave the Plaintiff commands to surrender and present his left hand, which was concealed from Deputy Three's view. The Plaintiff did not comply and kept his left hand near his waistband. With his back facing Deputy Three, the Plaintiff used his feet to scoot in Deputy Three's direction before stopping approximately 15 feet from the opening of the crawl space. The Plaintiff retrieved a wooden stick and struck Deputy Three's canine in the head two to three times, before forcefully wedging the stick in the canines' mouth, prying it open. The Plaintiff then used the stick and attempted to stab Deputy Three's canine in the eyes.

	The canine released his bite hold from the Plaintiff's right arm, and re-engaged his bite on the Plaintiff's left hand (which was holding the stick). The Plaintiff ignored Deputy Three's commands to surrender, and pulled his left hand free from the canine before he kicked the canine with his right leg. The canine bit and held the Plaintiff's lower right leg. The Plaintiff ultimately surrendered, and complied with commands to lie on his stomach. Deputy Three verified he was not armed before removing his canine from the bite. Deputy One then handcuffed the Plaintiff without further incident. Deputy Three requested medical attention for the Plaintiff. Deputy One arrested the Plaintiff for the following: • Possession of a Concealed Firearm, Penal Code Section 25400(a)(2) • Convicted Felon in Possession of Firearm, Penal Code Section 29800 (a)(1) • Possession of a Controlled Substance for Sales, Health and Safety Code Section 11378

1. Briefly describe the **root cause(s)** of the claim/lawsuit:

A **Department** root cause in this incident was the use of a police canine against the Plaintiff who was believed to be armed with a firearm.

A **Department** root cause in this incident was the patrol deputies' lack of Body-Worn Cameras. The recorded video would have captured the deputies' contact with the Plaintiff to prove or disprove the Plaintiff's allegations.

A **non-Department** root cause in this incident was the Plaintiff evading deputy sheriffs while armed with a firearm.

A **non-Department** root cause of this incident was the Plaintiff's refusal to comply with the lawful orders to surrender by the on-scene deputy sheriffs.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

Administrative Investigation - Use of Force Investigation

The incident was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Special Enforcement Bureau to determine if the use-of-force conformed with Department Policy. The use-of-force was determined to be within Department policy.

It was determined the use-of-force occurred as a direct result of the Plaintiff's decisions and actions. The Plaintiff attempted to avoid a lawful arrest while armed with a handgun by hiding from law enforcement personnel, despite receiving numerous opportunities to peacefully surrender.

The tactical decisions made by SEB Canine Services Detail personnel minimized injury to the Plaintiff and provided a higher degree of safety to personnel that were on scene and attempting to apprehend him. The Plaintiff displayed high risk behavior by running away from deputy personnel while armed with a handgun.

Body-Worn Cameras

As of November 30, 2020, all personnel assigned to Compton Station were issued a Body-Worn Camera (BWC) to ensure all public contact is captured and transparent. The use of BWCs ensure reliable recording of enforcement and investigative contacts with the public. The Department established policy and procedures for the purpose, use, and deployment of the Department-issued BWC.

Tactical Debriefing

In the days following the incident, SEB personnel were debriefed on the events known at the time and based on information provided by the SEB supervisor investigating the tactical operation that resulted in the use-of-force. Special focus was placed on officer safety, tactical preparedness, and lessons learned to assist employees should they find themselves in a similar situation.

Briefings occurred with all SEB teams, and were given by the SEB team sergeants and lieutenants.

Since the incident, all deputies involved have attended training pertinent to the circumstances surrounding this incident.

3. Are the corrective actions addressing Department-wide system issues?

☐ Yes – The corrective actions address Department-wide system issues.

☒ No – The corrective actions are only applicable to the affected parties.

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Name: (Risk Management Coordinator) Shawnee N. Hinchman, Captain Risk Management Bureau	
Signature:	Date: 11-17-23

Name: (Department Head) Holly A. Francisco, Assistant Sheriff Countywide Operations	
Signature:	Date: 11/20/23

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Are the corrective actions applicable to other departments within the County?

☐ Yes, the corrective actions potentially have County-wide applicability.

☒ No, the corrective actions are applicable only to this Department.

Name: (Daniela Prowizor-Lacayo (Risk Management Inspector General)	
Signature: Daniela Prowizor	Date: 11/20/23

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME		Non-Litigated Claim of Keenan I. Stott
CASE NUMBER		None
COURT		None
DATE FILED		None
COUNTY DEPARTMENT		Department of Health Services
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	$	350,000, plus assumption of the Medi-Cal lien in the amount of $17,410.43
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF		None
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY		Narbeh Bagdasarian Principal Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE		On October 11, 2022, Keenan I. Stott ("Mr. Stott"), a 29-year-old male, underwent a hernia repair procedure at High Desert Regional Health Center ("HDRHC"). During the procedure, it was discovered that the surgical site was bleeding. The source of the bleeding was identified as venous, and treatment measures were implemented. Later, it was discovered that the source of the bleeding was arterial. Mr. Stott had to undergo another procedure to repair the artery. Upon re-examination of the case, HDRHC administration determined staff incorrectly identified the source of the bleeding, and as such, used an incorrect method to treat the bleeding. The staff reached out to Mr. Stott, explained the error, offered an apology, and confirmed the County was willing to compensate him for his injuries. The County has also paid for the out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Mr. Stott.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	$	0
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	$	595

Case Name: Stott, Keenan Israel #6587

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Date of incident/event:	October 11, 2022
Briefly provide a description of the incident/event:	On October 11, 2022, a 29-year-old male patient, underwent a hernia repair procedure at High Desert Regional Health Center ("HDRHC"). During the procedure, it was discovered that the surgical site was bleeding. The source of the bleeding was identified as venous, and treatment measures were implemented. Later, it was discovered that the source of the bleeding was arterial. The patient had to undergo another procedure to repair the artery. Upon re-examination of the case, HDRHC administration determined staff incorrectly identified the source of the bleeding, and as such, used an incorrect method to treat the bleeding. The staff reached out to the patient, explained the error, offered an apology, and confirmed the County was willing to compensate him for his injuries.

1. Briefly describe the **root cause(s)** of the claim/lawsuit:

- The surgeon was aware of a 50 ml blood loss but did not search for the source of bleeding.
- The surgeon made an inappropriate decision to control the intra-operative bleeding by applying pressure and Surgicel (an absorbable material used to treat small injuries to blood vessels, especially injuries to veins) the bleeding.
- The surgeon did not document the source of the 50 ml estimated blood loss, nor any attempts to search for or to repair the source of the blood loss.
- The surgeon did not document nursing concern of patient having numbness in the general area of the surgical incision at time of discharge.
- The surgeon did not write a progress note on the day he performed the surgery. Surgeon wrote an addendum to the operative report two days later.

2. Briefly describe recommended corrective actions:
(Include each corrective action, due date, responsible party, and any disciplinary actions if appropriate)

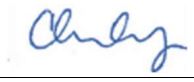
- The surgeon was found to have exhibited at risk behavior during the surgery and in his documentation, however, the surgeon retired from County service prior to the County taking corrective actions.

3. Are the corrective actions addressing department-wide system issues?

☐ Yes – The corrective actions address department-wide system issues.

☒ No – The corrective actions are only applicable to the affected parties.

Name: (Risk Management Coordinator) Arun Patel, MD, JD	
Signature: 	Date: 10/30/2023

Name: (Department Head) Christina Ghaly, MD	
Signature: 	Date: 11/20/2023

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Are the corrective actions applicable to other departments within the County?

- ☐ Yes, the corrective actions potentially have County-wide applicability.
- ☒ No, the corrective actions are applicable only to this department.

Name: (Risk Management Inspector General) Daniela Prowizor-Lacayo	
Signature: Daniela Prowizor	Date: 11/20/2023

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

November 20, 2023

1. Call to Order.

The meeting of the Los Angeles County Claims Board was called to order at 9:37 a.m. The meeting was held virtually with Claims Board Members participating in person and online. Claims Board Members Steve Robles, Chair, Oscar Valdez, Adrienne M. Byers appeared in person and via video conference.

All other persons present at the virtual Claims Board meeting: Michael Owens, Tyson Nelson, Blaine McPhillips, LaTasha Corry, and Richard Kudo appeared for the Office of the County Counsel. Shanese Winfrey, Renata Phillip, Shawnee Hinchman, Tenaya Brown, Glenn Walsh, Brandon Dean, and Rick Rector appeared for the Sheriff's Department. Minh Le, and Marian Bellard appeared for the Internal Services Department. Paul Beach appeared for Lawrence Beach Allen & Choi. Kelly Ward appeared for Kjar, McKenna, & Stockalper, LLP.

2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest within the subject-matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.

No members of the public appeared in person or were on the public teleconference phone line to address the Claims Board.

3. Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9, subdivision (a)).

At 9:37 a.m., Chair Steve Robles convened the meeting in closed session to discuss the items listed below as 4(a) through 4(d).

4. Report on Actions Taken in Closed Session.

No members of the public were present to hear the reportable actions of the Claims Board.

At 10:32 a.m., the Claims Board reconvened in open session via video conference and reported the actions taken in closed session as follows:

a. Maricela Salgado, et al. v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22PSCV00023

This lawsuit alleges breach of contract by the Internal Services Department.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.a. in the amount of $81,800.

Vote: Ayes: 3 – Steve Robles, Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez

b. **Adam Brandy, et al. v. Alex Villanueva, et al.**
United States District Court Case No. 20-CV-02874-AB-SK

This federal civil rights lawsuit against the Sheriff's Department and Department of Public Health alleges the COVID-19 Safer at Home Order, resulting in the brief closure of gun stores and violated gun store owners' Second Amendment rights.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved settlement of Item 4.b. in the amount of $100,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 – Steve Robles, Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez

c. **Kristi Larsen v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 18STCV00809

This lawsuit arises from injuries allegedly sustained in an automobile accident involving a Sheriff's Department detective.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.c. in the amount of $350,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 – Steve Robles, Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez

d. **Stephanie Martinez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.**
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 18STCV0065
(consolidated with BC689849)

This lawsuit arises from injuries allegedly sustained in an automobile accident involving a Sheriff's Department deputy.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors settlement of Item 4.d. in the amount of $2,250,000.

Vote: Ayes: 3 – Steve Robles, Adrienne M. Byers, and Oscar Valdez

5. Approval of the Minutes for the November 6, 2023, regular meeting of the Claims Board.

Action Taken:

The Claims Board approved the Minutes of the November 6, 2023, meeting.

Vote: Ayes: 2 – Steve Robles, and Oscar Valdez
Abstention: 1 – Adrienne M. Byers

6. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLAIMS BOARD

By Derek Stane
Derek Stane
Claims Board Secretary