

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT
POSADA ROOM
3700 RAMONA BOULEVARD,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA 91754
and VIA-TELECONFERENCE
ON
WEDNESDAY, April 9, 2025, AT 11:00 AM

Members Present: Mark Waronek, Ken Striplin, Patrick Kearney, Daniel Jordan, Margaret Finlay, Bryan Cook, James Bozajian, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, and Marcel Rodarte.

Alternates Present: Gustavo Camacho, Eddie De La Riva, John Erickson, Michael Davitt, Brian Villalobos, and Alfonso Noyola.

Call to Order.

- 1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board on items of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.**

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

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

- a. Non-litigated Claims of Felix and Maria Aguirre.
Claim Nos: 23-1210 and 23-1211

These claims contain 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 \$30,750.00.

- b. Rodriguez, Daniel v. County of Los Angeles et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No: 22STCV31935

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 \$40,000.00.

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

- a. Amador Gutierrez, Luis Alberto et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No: 23PSCV01037

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. Stilton, Makaela Scott, v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV04751

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Truss, Krystal v. Marin Christian, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CHCV03304

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

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- d. Bryan, Brandon v. County of Los Angeles DBA Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2-24-CV-00060

This lawsuit concerns allegations of unlawful arrest, assault and battery, violation of Civil Rights involving Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- e. Maxwell, Quante, A Minor by Maxwell, Jerry (GAL) et al, v. County of Los Angeles.
United States District Court Case No. 2:21-CV-09382,

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force and arrest, violation of Bane Act and violation of Ralph Civil Rights Act 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 11:56 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 March 12, 2025, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the minutes.

[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 11:58 am.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

March 12, 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 Acting Chair Pat Kearny at 11:36 a.m. The meeting was held at **Luminarias Restaurant, Posada Room, 3700 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and via-teleconference.**

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Patrick Kearney, Acting Chair; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Bryan Cook, At-Large; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; James Bozajian, North Division; John Moreno, South Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; **Alternate:** Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Eddie De La Riva, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Kelly Honig, At-Large; Brian Villalobos, East Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Destiny Castro, ACEO; Robert Chavez, Manager; Tim Kral, Acting Assistant County Counsel; Millicent Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Michael Gordon, Senior Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Thomas Kim, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Donald Moore, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Julia Valdes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jennifer Seetoo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dustin Carr, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Erick Martinez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Mark Reyes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Rick Rector, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Terrance Bell, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc.; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Angela Powell, Outside Counsel; Tom Hurrell, Outside Counsel; Sara Greco, Outside Counsel; Joseph Esposito, Outside Counsel; Mike DeMattei, Milliman; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA:** Alex Smith, CEO; Chris Gray, Insurance Programs Manager; Ben Rodriguez, Technology Projects Manager; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk; Jennifer Torres, Administrative Analyst; Paul Zeglovitch, Claims and Insurance Director.

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 11:38 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. Barello, Brea County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-01959

This lawsuit contains allegations of false arrest and excessive force in reckless disregard for civil rights involving Sheriff's Deputies.

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, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Bryan Cook, John Moreno, Jennifer Vasquez, Marcel Rodarte, Alternate Gustavo Camacho, and Alternate Brian Villalobos.

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

- a. Herrera, April v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-01959

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual abuse, civil rights violations, and abuse of authority involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

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

This lawsuit concerns allegations of wrongful death involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Houseton, Jacy, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-06887

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- d. Franey, Katherin Bernice v. McGee, Jason Andrew, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV29427

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- e. Hernandez, Christian v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-03825

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force, false arrest, and unlawful search and seizure involving Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- f. Limon, Edgar Noel v. Garfias, Amayel Aji, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23STCV13676

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force, false arrest, and unlawful search and seizure involving Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- g. Richards, Monica v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 8:24-CV-00238

Allegations of excessive force, failure to provide medical care, false arrest, battery, and violation of the Bane Act 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 1:26 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 February 12, 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, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Bryan Cook, John Moreno, Jennifer Vasquez, Marcel Rodarte, Alternate Gustavo Camacho, and Alternate Brian Villalobos.

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 1:27 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD


STEPHANIE RODRIGUEZ