

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, January 15, 2025, AT 11:00 AM

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

Alternates Present: *Gustavo Camacho, Thaddeus McCormack, Alfonso Noyola, John Erickson, Brian Villalobos, and Michael Davitt.*

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. Dorantes Reyna, Sonia vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV05955

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 \$500,000.00.

- b. Landgrave, Samuel, et al. vs. Andrew Magallanes Jr., et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23STCV03959

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 \$50,000.00.

- c. Luzanilla, Louis Edward, et al. vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22AVCV00653

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 \$250,000.00.

- d. Sanford, Timothy, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV08006

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 \$700,000.00.

- e. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company ASO Jerome Edery vs. Saranya Klinkalong, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STLC04713

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 \$25,769.44.

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

- a. Gonzalez, Alejandra v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court, Case No. 21STCV01995

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

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

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Glazier, Aaron v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-CV-00924

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, malicious prosecution, and fabrication of evidence involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- d. 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.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 12:40 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 of the December 11, 2024, 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: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Bryan Cook, John Moreno, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte, and Alternate Alfonso Noyola.

[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 12:41 pm.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

December 11, 2024

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Margaret Finlay at 11:10 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: Margaret Finlay, Chair; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Ken Striplin, Vice Chair; Bryan Cook, At-Large; James Bozajian, North Division; Daniel Jordan, East Division; John Moreno, South Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Mark Waronek, South Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; **Alternate:** Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Alfonso Noyola, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Tim Kral, Acting Assistant County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Robert Chavez, ACEO County of Los Angeles; Myron Johnson, Acting Assistant Sheriff; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Thomas Kim, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Donald Moore, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francisco Quintero, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dan Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Julia Valdes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Meza, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Christopher Minott, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jeffrey S. Rhea, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Joshua Bardon, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jim Cerda, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc.; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Chris Gray; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA:** Alex Smith, Chief Executive Officer; Jennifer Torres, Administrative Assistant; Edith Avina, Administrative Analyst; Ben Rodriguez, Technology Projects Manager; and 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 11:11 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. Flores, Marla et al. v. Arreola, Samantha et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV23297

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 \$85,000.00.

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

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

- a. Torres, Heaven v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV30710

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. Byram, Ursula v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-09285

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Halliday, Dimieari, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-09285

This lawsuit concerns allegations of unlawful detainment and unlawful search and seizure involving a Sheriff's Deputy.

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 November 13, 2024, 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, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte, and Daniel Jordan.

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 12:26 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

Stephanie Rodriguez
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