# STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD HELD IN LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT

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3700 RAMONA BOULEVARD,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA 91754

and VIA-TELECONFERENCE

ON

**WEDNESDAY, February 12, 2025, AT 11:00 AM** 

Members Present: James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken

Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Bryan Cook, John Moreno, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte, and Daniel Jordan.

Alternates Present: Gustavo Camacho, Thaddeus McCormack, Alfonso Noyola,

John Erickson, Kelly Honig, 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.

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

a. <u>Aaron, Malik, et al. v. Target Corporation, et al.</u>
United States District Court Case No. 2:22-CV-01237

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, excessive force, and false imprisonment 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 \$150,000.00.

b. Olivas, Andre v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
 United States District Court Case No. 2:21-CV-09509

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force, unreasonable search and seizure, violation of the Bane Act, and intentional infliction of emotional distress involving Sheriff's Deputies.

#### Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$750,000.00.

- 4. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).
  - a. <u>Keerthisingahe, Hiransha Sanjeevi v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV02056

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

#### Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

b. <u>Lara, Francisco v. Escobar, Diego, et al.</u>
 Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV00287

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

#### Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

c. <u>Laney, Brooke v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV15639

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

#### Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

d. Reyes, Hector Manuel, II, et al. v. Garcia, Figueroa, Alberto, et al. Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV00195

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

#### Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

e. <u>Houseton, Jacy, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> 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 12:56 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 January 15, 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, Jennifer Vasquez, Mark Waronek, and Marcel Rodarte.

#### 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

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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 1:05 pm.

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

#### MINUTES OF MEETING

January 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 Mark Waronek at 11:14 a.m. The meeting was held at Luminarias Restaurant, Posada Room, 3700 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and viateleconference.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Mark Waronek, Chair; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Bryan Cook, At-Large; 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; Alfonso Noyola, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Brian Villalobos, East Division; County of Los Angeles Staff: Tim Kral, Acting Assistant County Counsel; Millicent Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Nena Vuong, Deputy County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Robert Bailey, Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Kevin Engelien, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Thomas Kim, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Donald Moore, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Dan Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Julia Valdes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Evelyn Vega, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Meza, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jim Cerda, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris Kusayanagi, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Erick Martinez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Attendees: Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc.; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Angela Powell, Outside Counsel; Amir Raza, Outside Counsel; Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA: Alex Smith, Chief Executive Officer; 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 11:16 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>Dorantes Reyna, Sonia vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
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.

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.

b. <u>Landgrave</u>, <u>Samuel</u>, et al. vs. <u>Andrew Magallanes Jr.</u>, 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.

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.

c. <u>Luzanilla, Louis Edward, et al. vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22AVCV00653

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

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#### Action Taken:

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

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.

d. <u>Sanford, Timothy, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
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.

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.

e. <u>State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company ASO Jerome Edery vs. Saranya Klinkalong, et al.</u>

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.

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.

- 4. Closed Session Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
  - a. <u>Gonzalez, Alejandra v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.</u> 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. <u>Limon, Edgar Noel v. Garfias, Amayel Aji, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23STCV13676

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

#### Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

c. <u>Glazier, Aaron v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
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. <u>Houseton, Jacy, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> 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 for 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.

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 12:41 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

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