



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

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NOTICE OF MEETING

The County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board will hold its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, **May 7, 2025, at 11:00 a.m., in the City of Monterey Park, Posada Ballroom at Luminarias Restaurant, 3500 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and Via Teleconference.**

TELECONFERENCE LOCATIONS

98-1010 Kaooka Place, Aiea Hawaii, 96701

Calabasas City Hall, 100 Civic Center Way Calabasas, CA 91302 | (818) 224-1600

Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd, Norwalk, CA 90650 | (562) 929-5700

Paramount City Hall, 16400 Colorado Ave., Paramount, CA 90723 | (562) 220-2000

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West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069 | (323) 848-6400

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(28 CFR 35.102.35.104 ADA Title II)

PUBLIC COMMENT

You may submit public comment by e-mail at vruiz@cjpia.org or by mail to: Attention: Contract Cities Claims Board Agenda, Executive Office, County Counsel, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

Written public comment or documentation must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 6, 2025. Please include the Agenda item and meeting date in your correspondence. Comments and any other written submissions will become part of the official record of the meeting.

Members of the public wishing to listen to open sessions of the meeting may call the California JPIA's teleconference number **at 1(253) 215-8782.**

Zoom Meeting Link

<https://cjpia.zoom.us/j/81210708129?pwd=6L4CG7ncbiFcbwU4vLgbJ70QPv22eY.1>

Meeting ID: 812 1070 8129

Passcode: 594176

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order.
2. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Claims Board on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Claims Board.
3. Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.

- a. Rubio, Sylvia v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23AHCV00724

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

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

Allegations of excessive force, false arrest, and unlawful search and seizure.

[See Supporting Document](#)

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

- a. Glover, Keesha v. Baca, Roman Heriberto, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV01278

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

- b. Jackson, Eriell v. Gomez, Carlos Anthony Jr. et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV00469

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

- c. Sanchez, Chloe v. Sy, Marcus Kyle, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV29050

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

- d. Ortiz, Edgar, Estate of, et al. v County of Los Angeles, et. al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23NWCV01015

This lawsuit contains allegations of wrongful death, assault and battery, violation of the Bane Act, and emotional distress.

- e. Stenhouse, Whitney v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-08795

This lawsuit contains allegations of unlawfully shooting and killing her dog, unlawful search and seizure, trespass, and negligence.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
6. Approval of Minutes for the April 9, 2025, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

[See Supporting Document](#)

7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Sylvia Rubio vs. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.,
CASE NUMBER	23AHCV00724
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	April 3, 2023
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 425,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Michael Parker, Esq. M.R. Parker Law, PC
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Melissa A. McCaverty, Esq. Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This lawsuit arises from a vehicle collision that occurred on September 28, 2022, when a Deputy Sheriff failed to stop at a red light and collided into Plaintiff's vehicle causing injuries and damages. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 21,619
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 4,616

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Christian Hernandez vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	2:24-CV-03825
COURT	United States District Court
DATE FILED	May 8, 2024
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 95,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Greg L. Kirakosian
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Minas Samuelian Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This is a recommendation to settle for \$95,000 inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal and State civil rights lawsuit filed by Christian Hernandez, ("Plaintiff"), alleging excessive force arising out of Plaintiff's detention. 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 \$95,000 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 22,271
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 0

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MINUTES OF MEETING

April 9, 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 Chair Mark Waronek at 11:56 p.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: Mark Waronek, Chair, South Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Daniel Jordan, East Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Bryan Cook, At-Large; James Bozajian, North Division; John Moreno, South Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; **Alternate:** Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Eddie De La Riva, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Brian Villalobos, East Division; Alfonso Noyola, Central Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Destiny Castro, ACEO; Robert Chavez, Manager; Tim Kral, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Millicent Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Michael Gordon, Senior Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Erin Chang, Deputy County Counsel; Keever Rhodes Muir, Acting Assistant County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Ann Aguilar, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Donald Moore, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Julia Valdes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francisco Quintero, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Erick Martinez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Glenn Emery, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Robert G Hahnlein, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francois Chang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Daniel Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Walid Ashrafnia, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Marina Samson, Outside Counsel; Chandler Parker, Outside Counsel; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA:** 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 11:08 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. Non-Litigated Claims of Felix and Maria Aguirre
Claim Nos. 23-1210 and 23-1211

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 \$30,750.00.

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

- 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 a 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.

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

**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 of 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 a 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.

Vote: Ayes: 11-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Daniel Jordan, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Bryan Cook, John Moreno, 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 11:58 a.m.

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