



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, **June 11, 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

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

La Cañada Flintridge City Hall, One Civic Center Dr., La Canada Flintridge, CA 91011 | (818) 790-8880

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

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In compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Agency Clerk at (562) 467-8736. Notification 48 hours before the meeting will enable the Authority to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.
(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 June 10, 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

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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. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.

- a. Allen, Jayshawn, et al v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV40269

This lawsuit concerns allegations of federal and state civil rights violations, excessive force, conspiracy, Monell liability, violation of Bane Act, negligence and battery.

[See Supporting Document](#)

- b. Inzunza, Jabel Lopez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV00690

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

- c. Keerthisingahe, Hiransha Sanjeevi v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCv02056

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

- d. Moreno, Austin Richard v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV40269

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

- e. Pariente, Raphael Zapotitla v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV07401

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

[See Supporting Document](#)

4. Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9).

- a. Johnson, Stephanie. v County of Los Angeles, et. al.
United States District Court Case No. 2-24-CV-05232

This lawsuit contains allegations of wrongful arrest and excessive force, unlawful search and seizure, Monell violation, assault, battery, negligence, intentional infliction of emotional distress, malicious prosecution, violation of Bane Act.

- b. 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.

- c. Sharma, Navdeep v. County of Los Angeles. et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24PSCV01573

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

- d. Villareal, Isadoro, et al. v. County of Los Angeles et. al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24LBCV00548

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

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

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6. Approval of Minutes for the May 7, 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	Jayshawn Allen, et al. v. County of Los Angeles
CASE NUMBER	2:22-CV-09475 & 24-4938
COURT	United States District Court & Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal
DATE FILED	December 31, 2022
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 99,999
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	CAREE HARPER Law Offices of Caree Harper
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 Jayshawn Allen, D.T., a minor, by and through guardian ad litem, Tyisha Brooks, and K.T, a minor, by and through guardian ad litem, Dominique Ortiz, ("Plaintiffs"), alleging excessive force arising out of an unintentional discharge of a firearm. 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 \$99,999 is recommended.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 142,414
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 30,624

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Jabel Lopez Inzunza v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	23CMCV00690
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	July 5, 2023
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 50,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	STEFANO FORMICA, ESQ. Formica Law Group
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	KEVIN ENGELIEN Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This is an auto-liability lawsuit which arises from a traffic collision that occurred on August 18, 2022, when the vehicle driven by the Department employee collided with the rear of Plaintiff's vehicle. Given the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 10,720
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 8,238

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Hiransha Sanjeevi Keerthisingahe vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	24NWCV02056
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	July 5, 2024
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 65,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	ALAN A. PACE Law Office of Alan A. Pace
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	MELISSA MCCAVERY Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This lawsuit arises from a vehicle collision that occurred on June 8, 2023, when a Deputy Sheriff collided with a parked vehicle where Plaintiff was sitting inside in the driver's seat. Plaintiff claims this caused her 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	\$ 4,052
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 0

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Austin Richard Moreno vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	21STCV40269
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	November 2, 2021
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ \$675,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Robert T. Simon, Esq. The Simon Law Group, LLP
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	Kevin J. Engelen Senior Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	This case arises from a traffic collision involving Plaintiff, Austin Richard Moreno and Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputy, John Keith. Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case is warranted.
PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE	\$ 33,948
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 59,221

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME	Raphael Pariente Zapotitla vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.
CASE NUMBER	22STCV07401
COURT	Los Angeles Superior Court
DATE FILED	March 1, 2022
COUNTY DEPARTMENT	Sheriff's Department
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$ 3,500,000
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF	Benny Khorsandi Esq.and Brian G. Beecher, Esq. Law Offices of Arash Khorsandi, PC
COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY	LaTasha N. Corry, Esq. Deputy County Counsel
NATURE OF CASE	In this lawsuit, Plaintiff claims a vehicle collision occurred on May 5, 2022, when a Deputy Sheriff rear-ended 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	\$ 243,532
PAID COSTS, TO DATE	\$ 217,933

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CLAIMS BOARD**

MINUTES OF MEETING

May 7, 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 11:18 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: Mark Waronek, Chair, South Division; Ken Striplin, North Division; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; James Bozajian, North Division; John Moreno, South Division; Jennifer Vasquez, Central Division; Jennifer Perez, At-Large; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; **Alternate:** Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Eddie De La Riva, Central Division; John Erickson, North Division; Brian Villalobos, East Division; Alfonso Noyola, Central Division; Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Robert Chavez, Manager; Tim Kral, Assistant County Counsel; Michael Gordon, Senior Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Keever Rhodes Muir, Acting Assistant County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Senior Deputy County Counsel; 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; Thomas Kim, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris D. Allende, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Paul R. Bartlett, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Justin R. Diaz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Richard B. Conti, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Daniel Inez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jose Hernandez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, Terrence Bell, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Damon A. Jones, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Mark A. Reyes, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Daniel Holguin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Robert Jones II, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Valdez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc, Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Jill Williams, Outside Counsel; Lenore Kelly, Outside Counsel; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA:** Alex Smith, Chief Executive Officer; Ben Rodriguez, Technology Projects Manager; Jason McBride, Finance Director; Veronica Ruiz, Agency Clerk; Jennifer Torres, Administrative Analyst.

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 11:23 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. 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.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$425,000.00.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Jennifer Vasquez, John Moreno, Marcel Rodarte and Alternate Brian Villalobos.

- b. 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, unlawful search and seizure.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$95,000.00.

Vote: Ayes: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Jennifer Vasquez, John Moreno, Marcel Rodarte and Alternate Brian Villalobos.

**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.

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- 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.

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- 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 Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

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

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

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

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

This lawsuit concerns allegations of unlawfully shooting and killing plaintiff's dog, unlawful search and seizure, trespass and negligence.

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 1:01 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 April 9, 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: 10-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Jennifer Vasquez, John Moreno, Marcel Rodarte 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 1:02 p.m.

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