

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, July 9, 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

Pico Rivera City Hall, 6615 Passons Blvd, Pico Rivera, CA 90660 | (562) 942-2000

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PUBLIC COMMENT

You may submit public comment by e-mail at wruiz@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 July 8, 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.

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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/Roll Call.
- 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. <u>Bradley Jr., James, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. 2-22-CV-05623

This lawsuit concerns allegations of federal civil rights violations, use of excessive force, denial of medical care, retaliation and unlawful search and seizure.

See Supporting Document

b. <u>Brown, Brittany v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV40711

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

See Supporting Document

c. <u>Franey, Katherine B. v. McGee, Jason Andrew et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. <u>22STCV29427</u>

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

See Supporting Document

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d. <u>Martinez, Anastasia v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. 22-CV-06589

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

See Supporting Document

e. <u>Mercury Insurance Company v. County of Los Angeles</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23SMCV02256

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

See Supporting Document

f. Non- Litigated Claims of USAA ASO Richard and Keesha Glover, and Century Surety Company ASO KOKA Center, Inc.
Claim Nos. 24-609 and 24-1547

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

See Supporting Document

g. <u>Torres, Heaven v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV30710

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. <u>Bustos-Arreola Salvador, et al. v County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 25CMCV00390

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

b. <u>Flores, Herberto v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV00490

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

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c. <u>Jones, Adonis Lason v. Hale, Taylor, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV00625

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

- 5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.
- 6. Approval of Minutes for the June 11, 2025, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

See Supporting Document

- 7. Other Business
- 8. Adjournment

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME James Bradley Jr., et al. v. County of Los Angles,

et al.

CASE NUMBER 2:22-CV-05623

COURT United States District Court

DATE FILED August 9, 2022

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 60,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

PETER L. CARR IV
PLC Law Group, APC

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY RICHARD HSUEH

Senior Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This is a recommendation to settle for \$60,000

inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by James Bradley, Jr., and Pearlena Pruitt ("Plaintiffs") arising from the detention of Plaintiffs and use of force during an

investigatory stop.

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 \$60,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 79,086

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 26,020

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Brittany Brown vs. County of Los Angeles, et al.

CASE NUMBER 220STCV40711

COURT Los Angeles Superior Court

DATE FILED October 23, 2020

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 40,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF CRAIG L. CHISVIN, ESQ.

LCLC Law Group, APC

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY MELISSA A. MCCAVERTY, ESQ.

Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This lawsuit arises from a vehicle collision that

occurred on December 4, 2019, when a

Deputy Sheriff collided with Plaintiff's vehicle at the

intersection of Washington Boulevard and

Bequette Avenue in the City of Pico Rivera, 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 \$ 45,665

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 9,784

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Katherine Bernice Franey v. County of Los Angeles

CASE NUMBER 22STCV29427

COURT Los Angeles Superior Court

DATE FILED September 9, 2022

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department - Malibu

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 50,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF BRETT L. ROSENTHAL, ESQ.

McNulty Law Firm

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY MICHAEL J. GORDON, ESQ.

Senior Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE On March 9, 2022, a Sheriff's Department patrol

vehicle made a U-turn and collided into Plaintiff's SUV on Pacific Coast Highway near its intersection with Sweetwater Canyon Road in Malibu. Plaintiff seeks compensation for injuries she allegedly

sustained in the collisiion.

Given the risk and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of

\$50,000 is warranted.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 88,704

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 19,699

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Anastasia Martinez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

CASE NUMBER 22-CV-06589

COURT United States District Court

DATE FILED September 14, 2022

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 2,430,000

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF Olu K. Orange, Esq.

Orange Law Offices

Dan Stormer

Hadsell, Stormer & Renick

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY

Millicent L. Rolon

Principal Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This is a recommendation to settle for \$2,430,000, inclusive

of attorneys' fees and costs, a federal civil rights lawsuit filed by Anastasia Martinez alleging her civil rights were violated when she was sexually assaulted by a Los Angeles Sheriff's

Department Deputy.

Given the 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

\$2,430,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 321,621

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 27,147

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Mercury Insurance Company v. County of

Los Angeles

CASE NUMBER 23SMCV02256

COURT Los Angeles Superior Court

DATE FILED May 23, 2023

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department - Malibu

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 42,348.52

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF MARK R. NIVINSKUS, ESQ.

Nivinskus Law Group, ALC

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY MICHAEL J. GORDON, ESQ.

Senior Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE On March 9, 2022, a Sheriff's Department patrol

vehicle made a U-turn and collided into Plaintiff's insured's SUV on Pacific Coast Highway near its intersection with Sweetwater Canyon Road in Malibu. Plaintiff seeks compensation for money it paid to repair damage caused by the collision to its

insured's vehicle.

Given the risk and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of

\$42.348.52 is warranted.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 15,662

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 75

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Non-Litigated Claims of USAA ASO Richard and

Keesha Glover, and Century Surety Company ASO

Koka Center, Inc.

CASE NUMBER N/A

COURT N/A

DATE FILED N/A

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department - Contract Cities

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 33,102

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF N/A

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY Mark W. Lomax, Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

These claims involve property damage sustained

from a collision between an LASD patrol vehicle and a civilian's vehicle. Due to the risk and uncertainties of litigation, a full and final settlement is warranted.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ -0-

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ -0-

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME Heaven Torres v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's

Department, et al.

CASE NUMBER 22STCV30710

COURT Los Angeles Superior Court

DATE FILED September 20, 2022

COUNTY DEPARTMENT Sheriff's Department

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT \$ 675,000

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF MICHAEL KARNS, ESQ.

Karns & Karns

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY MELISSA MCCAVERTY

Deputy County Counsel

NATURE OF CASE

This incident occurred on March 24, 2022, at the

intersection of Somerset Boulevard and

Paramount Boulevard in the City of Paramount. Plaintiff alleges that she was injured when her car collided with a Sheriff's patrol vehicle that traveled

through an intersection at an unsafe speed.

Due to the risks and uncertainties of litigation, a full

and final settlement of the case in the amount of

\$675,000 is recommended.

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE \$ 52,917

PAID COSTS, TO DATE \$ 8,296

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

June 11, 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 11:31 a.m. The meeting was held at Luminarias Restaurant, Estancia Room, 3700 Ramona Boulevard, Monterey Park, California 91754 and via-teleconference.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Mark Waronek, Chair, South Division; Brian Villalobos, Vice Chair, East 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; Bryan Cook, Member at-Large; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director; Alternate: Gustavo Camacho, South Division; Alfonso Noyola, Central Division; Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Daniel Jordan, East Division; Michael Davitt, East Division County of Los Angeles Staff: Destiny Castro, ACEO; Robert Chavez, Manager; Tim Kral, Assistant County Counsel; Reese Rosental Saporito, Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Erin Chang, Deputy County Counsel; Melissa McCaverty, Deputy County Counsel; Kevin Engelien, 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; Jose Hernandez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Damon A. Jones, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Megan Roman, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Mark J. Collins, 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; Ann Devane, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Attendees: Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc, Donald Caskey, Alliant Insurance; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA: Alex Smith, Chief Executive Officer; Chris Grey, Insurance Programs Manager; Paul Zeglovitch, Claims and Insurance 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 11:31 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>Allen Jayshawn et al v. County of Los Angeles</u>
United States District Court Case No. 2-22-CV-09475

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

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$99,999.00.

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

b. <u>Inzunza, Jabel Lopez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u>
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV00690

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 – Mark Waronek, Brian Villalobos, James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Perez, Jennifer Vasquez, John Moreno and Marcel Rodarte.

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c. <u>Keerthisingahe, Hirasha 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:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$65,000.00.

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

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.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$675,000.00.

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

e. <u>Pariente, Raphael Zapotitla v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV07401

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 \$3,500,000.00.

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

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

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

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

b. <u>Sanchez, Chloe v. Marcus Kyle, et al,</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV29050

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

c. <u>Sharma, Navdeep v. Sy, County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24PSCV01573

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

d. <u>Villareal, Isadoro, et al. v. County of Los Angeles et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24LBCV00548

This lawsuit concerns allegations of an automobile accident 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 12:42 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session which required a public report pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

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6. Approval of the Minutes for May 7, 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, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, Ken Striplin, Mark Waronek, Jennifer Perez, Jennifer Vasquez, John Moreno, Marcel Rodarte and 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 12:48 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

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