

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD
HELD IN LUMINARIAS RESTAURANT
POSADA ROOM
3500 RAMONA BOULEVARD,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA 91754
and VIA-TELECONFERENCE
ON
WEDNESDAY, December 10, 2025, AT 11:00 AM

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

Alternates Present: John Erickson, Thaddeus McCormack, Michael Davitt, Eddie De La Riva.

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. **Consolidated cases:**
Zamora, Antonio De La v. County of Los Angeles, et al
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV38123

Ontiveros, Freddy v. Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV48053

This lawsuit concerns allegations 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 \$850,000.00 and \$900,000.00.

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

b. 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:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$1,500,000.00.

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

c. Jones, Adonis, v Hale, Taylor, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV00625

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 \$98,000.00.

Vote: Ayes: 11-0 – Mark Waronek, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin,

Jennifer Vasquez, Brian Villalobos, Jennifer Perez, Marcel Rodarte.

d. Yeayo, Russell, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.

United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-05979

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, unlawful seizure and Monell liability.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$499,999.99.

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

**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. Avalos, Juan, et al, v. Durghinescu, Daniel, et al.

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV01219.

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 12:15 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 November 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 Mark Waronek, James Bozajian, Bryan Cook, Margaret Finlay, Patrick Kearney, John Moreno, Ken Striplin, Jennifer Vasquez, Brian Villalobos, Jennifer Perez, 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 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 12:16 pm.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

November 12, 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 Vice Chair Brian Villalobos at 11:13 a.m. The meeting was held at **Luminarias Restaurant, Posada Room, 3500 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; Patrick Kearney, Central Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; James Bozajian, North Division; Bryan Cook, Member at-Large; John Moreno, South Division; Jennifer Perez, Member At-Large; Ken Striplin, Central Division; Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director. **Alternate:** Thaddeus McCormack, South Division; Michael Davitt, East Division; Eddie De La Riva; Central Division; Kelly Honig, Alternate At-Large; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Destiny Castro, ACEO; Robert Chavez, Manager; Tim Kral, Assistant County Counsel; Minas Samuelian, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Kevin Engeliem, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Michael Gordon, Senior Deputy County Counsel; Millicent Rolon, Principal Deputy County Counsel; Richard Hsueh, Senior Deputy County Counsel, Anna Reitano, Deputy County Counsel; LaTasha Corry, Deputy County Counsel; Jamie Lopez, Deputy County Counsel; Anna Sargsyan, Paralegal; Tri Hoang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Andrew Cruz, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jorge Valdez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Alan Liu, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Glenn Emery, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Shawnee Hinchman, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Walid Ashrafnia, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Deputy Mors, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francisco Quintero, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Juan Sanchez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Lt. Orosco, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Francois Chang, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Adam Zeko, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Richard Cartmill, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Robert Hahnlein, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Christopher Minott, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Z. Martin, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Yolanda Figueroa, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ron Kopperud, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Jennifer Seetoo, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Justin Diez, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Damon Jones, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Fred Groehler, Protelligent, Inc.; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles: California JPIA** Alex Smith,

Chief Executive Officer; Chris Gray, Insurance Programs Manager; Paul Zeglovitch, Chief Operating Officer; Jessica Ramos, Administrative Assistant, 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 11:15 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. Halliday, Dimieari, et al v. County of Los Angeles. et al
United States District Court Case No. 2:23-CV-06877

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violation, unlawful search and seizure, false arrest and imprisonment, conspiracy, Monell liability and negligence.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$300,000.00.

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

- b. Martinez, Adrian v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23SMCV04047

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, unreasonable use of deadly force, battery and negligence involving Sheriff's deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$4,000,000.00.

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

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

- a. Avalos, Juan, et al v. Durghinescu, Daniel, et al..
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV01219.

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

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- b. Manzano, Raphael v. County of Los Angeles.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24SMCV01881

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

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- c. Mendez, Alexandria, et al v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV10463

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

Action Taken:
No reportable action taken.

- d. Monzon, Marvin v County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24AVCV01041

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

Action taken.
No reportable action taken.

- e. Nunez, Maria Del Carmen Mariz, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23CMCV01341

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- f. Orellana, Israel, et al. v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-09002

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, interference with familiar relationship, Monell liability, violation of Bane Act, negligence, battery, violation of Ralph Act.

Action taken.

No reportable action taken.

- g. Quan, Jennie, et al. v. County of Los Angeles.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-04805

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, unreasonable search and seizure, denial of medical care, Monell liability, negligence, battery, violation of Bane Act.

Action taken.

No reportable action taken.

- h. Ramirez, Anna Laura, et al. v. County of Los Angeles et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:24-CV-00141

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations, use of excessive force, Bane Act violation, intentional infliction of emotional distress involving Sheriff's deputies.

Action taken.

No reportable action taken.

- i. 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

Action taken.

No reportable action taken.

- j. Zheng, Xianghua v. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24NWCV00568

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 1:20 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 October 15, 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: 7-0 – James Bozajian, Margaret Finlay, John Moreno, Jennifer Perez, Brian Villalobos, Mark Waronek, Marcel Rodarte.

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 1:20 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
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TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD



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