STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES

CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

HELD IN THE CITY OF NORWALK, COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER

SPROUL ROOM, 13200 CLARKSDALE AVENUE,

NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650

ON

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2013, AT 11:00 AM

<u>Members Present</u>: Chair Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Margaret Finlay, Michael Egan, Doug Prichard, Harold Hofmann, and Sam Olivito <u>Alternates Present</u>: David Spence and Cheri Kelley

1. Call to Order.

Sam Olivito, Executive Director, California Contract Cities introduced the new California Contract Cities Deputy Director Paul Phillips to the Claims Board. Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer, California JPIA, inquired as to the need to have an alternate for the Contract Cities Director. Currently there is a member and alternate for the elected official and city manager from each of the three regions, but not for the Contract Cities Executive Director. The JPIA staff will look into obtaining an appointment of an alternate for this position. Jonathan Shull also introduced Karen Bartak, President/CEO, Bedford Falls Insurance Services, who is working with Allen Boring, Wells Fargo on the insurance renewals for the Liability Trust Fund.

2. 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. <u>Bryant Roman v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Unites States District Court Case No. CV 11-06173

This lawsuit concerns allegations of false arrest and imprisonment by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$50,000.

Vote: Ayes: 7 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Margaret Finlay, Michael Egan, Doug Prichard, Harold Hofmann and Sam Olivito

See Supporting Document

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

a. <u>William F. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 437875

No reportable action was taken.

b. <u>Katrina Taylor, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC 058739

No reportable action was taken.

c. <u>Cindy Villalpando, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Lancaster Superior Court Case No. MC 022826

No reportable action was taken.

d. <u>Jonathan Cuevas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. CV 11-08297

No reportable action was taken.

5. Report of actions taken in Closed Session.

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board reconvened in open session and reported the actions taken in closed session as indicated under Agenda Items No. 3 and No. 4 above.

6. Approval of the minutes of the January 16, 2013, 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 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Margaret Finlay, Michael Egan, Doug Prichard, Harold Hofmann and Sam Olivito

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 subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

One case:

• Jonathan Cuevas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. United States District Court Case No. CV 11-08297

No reportable action was taken.

8. Other Business.

None

9. Adjournment.

CASE SUMMARY

INFORMATION ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF LITIGATION

CASE NAME

CASE NUMBER

COURT

DATE FILED

COUNTY DEPARTMENT

PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AMOUNT

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

COUNTY COUNSEL ATTORNEY

NATURE OF CASE

Bryant Roman v. County of Los Angeles

CV 11-06173

United States District Court

7/4/10

Sheriff's Department

\$ 50,000

Humberto Guizar

Jennifer A.D. Lehman

Plaintiff Bryant Roman alleges he was falsely arrested on 07/04/2010 while standing behind the gate of his sister's residence, and wrongfully incarcerated in a cell with the general public.

Due to the risks and uncertainties of the litigation, a reasonable settlement at this time will avoid further litigations costs. Therefore, a full and final settlement of the case in the amount of \$50,000 is recommended

PAID ATTORNEY FEES, TO DATE

\$ 23,023

PAID COSTS, TO DATE

\$ 427

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

January 16, 2013

Agenda Item No.: 5

1. Call to Order

This meeting of the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was called to order by Curtis Morris, at 11:21 a.m. The meeting was held in the City of Norwalk Sproul Room, 13200 Clarkdale Avenue, Norwalk, CA 90650.

Present at the meeting were **Claims Board Members:** Curtis Morris, Chair, San Dimas, Region III; Mark Alexander, La Canada Flintridge, Region I; Margaret Finlay, Duarte, Region I; Michael Egan, Norwalk, Region III; Doug Prichard, Rolling Hills Estates, Region II; Harold Hofmann, Lawndale, Region II; Sam Olivito, Executive Director, California Contract Cities Association; *Alternates*: David Spence, La Canada Flintridge, Region I; Cheri Kelley, Norwalk, Region III; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Roger Granbo, Assistant County Counsel; Ernie Romo, Risk Management, Chief Executive Office; Shaun Mathers, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Ronald Williams, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris Deacon, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles**: Tanya Souza, Claims, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA**: Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; Jennifer Fullerton, Secretary.

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 11:22 a.m., the Chair adjourned the County of Los Angeles Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board into Closed Session.

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- 3. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
 - a. <u>Claim of Veolia Transportation Services, Inc.</u> Claim No. 12-1098030*002

This claim concerns allegations of unsafe speed by a County employee.

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$50,046.87 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

- 4. Conference with Legal Counsel Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
 - a. <u>Gloria Acevedo v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC058172
 - b. <u>Terrence Buchanan v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> United States District Court Case No. CV1106135
 - c. <u>Victor Manuel Gonzalez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Torrance Superior Court Case No. YC065081
 - d. <u>M.L. by Brandi Blackburn v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Norwalk Superior Court Case No. VC058338
 - e. <u>Nicholas Saracho v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC417304
 - f. <u>Cindy Villalpando, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.</u> Lancaster Superior Court Case No. MC022826

The meeting was reconvened into public session at 11:57.m. No action was taken in Closed Session which required a public report pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1.

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5. Approval of the Minutes for the December 12, 2012 meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

The Minutes for the meeting of December 12, 2012, were approved.

6. 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

7. Other Business

None

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

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

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