



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, October 19, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. in the City of Norwalk, Community Meeting Center, Sproul Room at 13200 Clarkdale Avenue, Norwalk, California 90650.

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 54956.9)

There are no settlement proposals for this meeting.

4. Closed Session - Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
 - a. Hilda Alvarez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 15-09065

This lawsuit involves allegations of excessive force shooting and wrongful death by a Sheriff's Deputy.

- b. Luis Arias v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 15-02170

This lawsuit involves excessive force shooting and civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

- c. Rosa Linda Bellman v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 545771

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

- d. Sonya Benton v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. TC 027002

This lawsuit concerns allegations of a collision with a vehicle driven by a Sheriff's Deputy for failure to yield.

- e. Rebecca Lynn Braden v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 499223

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 September 21, 2016, meeting of the Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board.

[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.
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Adjournment

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MINUTES OF MEETING

September 21, 2016

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 11:13 a.m. The meeting was held in the Community Meeting Center, Multi-Purpose Room, 13200 Clarkdale Avenue, Norwalk, CA 90650.

Present at the meeting were **Claims Board Members:** Curtis Morris, Chair, At-Large; Mark Alexander, East Division; Margaret Finlay, East Division; Doug Prichard, At-Large; Mark Waronek, South Division; Marcel Rodarte, California Contract Cities Association; *Alternates:* Darrell George, East Division; Cheri Kelley, East Division; David Spence, East Division; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Jennifer A.D. Lehman, Assistant County Counsel; Ruben Baeza, Assistant County Counsel; Jacques A. LaBerge, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Scott Johnson, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Maxine Kallenberger, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Brant Frederickson, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris Deacon, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Buddy Goldman, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; **Attendees:** Lou La Monte, Ex-Officio, California Contract Cities Association; Ken Striplin, North Division; Jose Pulido, Central Division; John La Salle, Wells Fargo Insurance Services; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Silvia Hernandez, Claims, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Jonathan Shull, Chief Executive Officer; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; Denise Covell, Office Assistant; Jennifer Fullerton, 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 11:14 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. Kevin Cohen and Leesa Danzek v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 536618

This lawsuit concerns allegations of injuries sustained in 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 \$41,000.

Vote: Ayes: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte,
Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and
Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

- b. Marlene P., et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 15-06497
Bernardita Maldonado Gomez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 15-06576

This lawsuit arises from allegations of excessive force shooting and wrongful death by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$2,750,000.

Vote: Ayes: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte,
Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and
Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

- c. K.C.R., et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 13-3806

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force shooting and wrongful death by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

The Contract Cities Liability Trust Fund Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$1,500,000.

Vote: Ayes: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte, Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

- d. Jane Taylor, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 567844

This lawsuit concerns allegations of injuries sustained in 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 \$59,000.

Vote: Ayes: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte, Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

- e. Valenzuela Elia Torres, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. MC 024624

This lawsuit concerns allegations of injuries sustained in 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.

Vote: Ayes: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte,
Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and
Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

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

- a. Kathleen Anderson, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 15-09289

This lawsuit concerns allegations of wrongful death and federal civil rights violations by Sheriff's Deputies.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. Teresita Garcia v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 553204

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Carla Wade, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 611073

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force shooting and wrongful death by 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 1:32 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 August 10, 2016, 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: 6 -- Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Marcel Rodarte, Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Mark Waronek

Absent: Michael Egan

7. Approval of the Biennial review of the Liability Trust Fund Claims Board Conflict of Interest Code.

The Biennial Review of the Liability Trust Fund Claims Board Conflict of Interest Code was approved.

8. 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

9. Other Business

None

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

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