

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, SEPTEMBER 9, 2015, AT 11:00 AM

Members Present: Chair Curtis Morris, Mark Alexander, Michael Egan,
Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Mark Waronek

Members Absent: Sam Olivito

Alternates Present: Cheri Kelley

1. **Call to Order.**
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).**

There were no settlement proposals for this meeting.

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

- a. Albin Alas, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 552707

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

No reportable action taken.

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

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

No reportable action taken.

- c. Bertha Gonzalez, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 540696

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

No reportable action taken.

- d. Lisa Ostergren, et al. v. Sheriff's Department, et al.
United States District Court Case No. 2:14-CV-094253

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

No reportable action taken.

- e. Christopher Pettersen, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court Case No. CV 14-04699

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

No reportable action 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 August 12, 2015, 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, Michael Egan,
Margaret Finlay, Doug Prichard, and Mark Waronek

Absent: 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.

No such matters were discussed.

8. Other Business.

None

9. Adjournment.

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

August 12, 2015

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 Community Center, 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; Doug Prichard, Rolling Hills Estates, Region II; Mark Waronek, City of Lomita, Region II; Sam Olivito, Executive Director, California Contract Cities Association; *Alternates:* David Spence, La Canada Flintridge, Region I; **County of Los Angeles Staff:** Jennifer Lehman, Assistant County Counsel; Ruben Baeza, Jr. Assistant County Counsel; Ernie Romo, Risk Management, Chief Executive Office; Michael Stuver, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Chris Deacon, Civil Litigation Unit, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Faye Adragna, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Brant Frederickson, Los Angeles Sheriff's Department; Karen Bartak, Bedford Falls Insurance Services; Alan Boring, Wells Fargo Insurance Services USA, Inc.; **Third Party Administrator for the County of Los Angeles:** Silvia Hernandez, Claims, Carl Warren & Company; **California JPIA:** Paul Zeglovitch, Liability Program Manager; Jim Thyden, Insurance Programs Manager; 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 11:22 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. N.K.A., et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
(consolidated with N.S.A., et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.)
United States District Court Case No. CV 13-05507

This lawsuit concerns allegations of excessive force 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 \$4.7 million.

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

Absent: Michael Egan

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

- a. Shalene Anderson v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 521145

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- b. Kevin Cronin, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 525995

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- c. Lindsay F. v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 473127

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault and false imprisonment by a Sheriff's Deputy.

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- d. Nicholas and Suzanne Fobia v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 516710

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- e. Heather Kowalczyk v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 531503

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

Action Taken:

No reportable action taken.

- f. Alexander Vago v. County of Los Angeles, et al.
United States District Court No. CV 13-00868

This lawsuit concerns allegations of civil rights violations and false arrest 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 12:37 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 July 8, 2015, 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, Margaret Finlay,
Doug Prichard, Mark Waronek, and Sam Olivito

Absent: Michael Egan

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 12:37 p.m.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CONTRACT CITIES LIABILITY
TRUST FUND CLAIMS BOARD



SANDRA C. RUIZ