



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. R 23 - 0364  
**SEP 21 2023**

**REQUEST FOR CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT RE:

**SETTLEMENT DISCUSSION**

ISAAC CASTELLANOS v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.  
USDC CASE NO. CV22-01165

The Honorable City Council  
City of Los Angeles  
Room 395, City Hall  
200 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

(Re: Claim No. C21-04784)

Honorable Members:

This office recommends that discussions with, and advice from, legal counsel regarding the recommendation for Claims Board action in this pending litigation be scheduled and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) requires you to state publicly prior to the closed session, what subdivision of this section authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed session is being held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding pending litigation.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Based on the facts in this case, we believe that Plaintiff's demand should be rejected. It is requested that this Honorable Board approve the above recommendation.

The City is represented by outside counsel Stone Busailah, and they concur with this recommendation.

Very truly yours,



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