



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney  
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REPORT NO. **R 24-0106**  
**MAR 07 2024**

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

RE:

**SETTLEMENT REACHED**

**DAVID LEW v. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.  
USDC CASE NO. CV 20-10948 DDP (PLAx)**

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

(Re: Claim No. C19-05147)

Honorable Members:

This Office recommends that discussions with legal counsel about settlement reached by insurance companies defending the City in this litigation be scheduled and held in closed session pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1). Government Code Section 54956.9(g) requires you to state publicly prior to the closed session what subdivision of section 54956.9(d) authorizes the closed meeting, and that the closed session is being held to confer or discuss with, or receive advice from, legal counsel regarding litigation. We ask that the matter be placed on the closed session agendas of the Claims Board, Budget and Finance Committee and City Council as soon as practicable.

This case concerns allegations the City violated the Visual Artists Rights Act, 17 U.S.C. §106A, in connection with an exhibit at the Chinese American Museum.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Arlene Hoang at (213) 978-7508. She or other members of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,

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