

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Human Resources



Date: October 4, 2012 Board Meeting Date: November 6, 2012 Special Notice / Hearing: None Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

- From: Donna Vaillancourt, Director, Human Resources Department Scott Johnson, Risk Manager
- Subject: Disposition of Claims Filed Against County

RECOMMENDATION:

Report recommending the denial of claims (Non-culpable)

BACKGROUND:

Under authority of section 2.10.070 of the Ordinance Code, the County Manager has designated the Director to process claims filed against the County. Further investigation may indicate justification for payment by the County. If so, payment will be made under the authority of the Risk Manager or will be brought back to the Board.

DISCUSSION:

The Risk Management Division has reviewed these claims and recommends that you take the following action.

Claim # Claimant

Recommended Board <u>Action and Basis</u>

Claims recommended for denial:

G11-089 Azzopardi, Elaine 3/21/12, 4/2012-9/17/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges damages, emotional distress, and defamation of character due to the ongoing investigation being performed.

Claim # Claimant

Recommended Board <u>Action and Basis</u>

- G12-006 Branch, Scott Douglas 9/25/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges damages for personal injuries due to an incident at the crosswalk on Cherry Avenue in the City of San Bruno.
- M11-033B Cota, Ernest 6/20/12, 7/15/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges due to the death of his father, Ernest Cota, he has suffered the loss of his care, comfort and society.
- M11-033C Cota, Mitchell 6/20/12, 7/15/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges due to the death of his father, Ernest Cota, he has suffered the loss of his care, comfort and society.
- M11-033D Garcia, Stephanie 6/20/12, 7/15/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges due to the death of her father, Ernest Cota, she has suffered the loss of his care, comfort and society.
- G11-091 Vallejo, Sandra 4/23/12-4/26/12, 5/17/12 Non-culpable Claimant alleges damages due to unwarranted and ongoing harassment, retaliation, and discrimination by the Sheriff's Department.

Careful consideration of these claims contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Collaborative Community by ensuring fair and equitable handling of all claims while conserving financial resources and protecting assets.