



**MINUTES OF THE
ACCEL UNDERWRITING COMMITTEE
MEETING**

Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 9:00 AM

**LOCATION:
Teleconference**

Link: <https://alliantinsurance.zoom.us/j/94652512106?pwd=NXhoWWVRR0ltVIBLOGhTc2UxUmNRUT09>

Dial: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 946 5251 2106

Passcode: 053979

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jena Covey, City of Bakersfield *(left at 9:55 AM)*

Rhonda Combs, City of Salinas *(joined at 9:01 AM)*

Mark Howard, City of Santa Barbara

Ross Brandon, City of Santa Cruz

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Tracey Matthews, City of Anaheim

GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:

Rick Anthony, City of Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Director *(left at 9:25 AM)*

Darin Budak, City of Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Assistant Director *(left at 9:25 AM)*

Michael Dobbs, City of Bakersfield Park Ranger Supervisor *(left at 9:25 AM)*

Conor Boughey, Alliant Insurance Services

Thomas Joyce, Alliant Insurance Services

Lorissa Huey, Alliant Insurance Services

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mark Howard called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

B. Consent Calendar

B1. Approval of Minutes for the November 29, 2022 Underwriting Committee Meeting

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.



MOTION: Jena Covey

SECOND: Ross Brandon **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Rhonda Combs	Mark Howard	Ross Brandon
Aye		X	X		X
Nay					
Abstain					

C. REPORTS

C1. Underwriting Committee’s Report

C1a. City of Bakersfield Park Ranger Electronic Control Device - New Exposure Questionnaire

Mark Howard reported that the of City of Bakersfield has requested the Underwriting Committee review the New Exposure Questionnaire regarding the City Park Rangers carrying tasers while patrolling.

Members asked questions, which were addressed by Rick Anthony, Darin Budak, and Michael Dobbs from the City of Bakersfield Recreation and Parks Department.

No formal action was taken by the Committee.

Direction was given to Byrne Conley, ACCEL’s Legal Counsel to compose a white paper for the Members’ Risk Management Departments that provides guidance on how to approach the issue of providing law-enforcement tools to non-sworn employees.

C1b. Proposed Changes to ACCEL’s Memorandum of Coverage (MOC): Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs)

Conor Boughey reminded the Committee that at the January 2023 Board Meeting, the Board gave it direction to further review the UAV definition in the ACCEL MOC. Also, at that meeting Dan Howell suggested to consider language from the United Educators (UE) endorsement.

Included in the agenda packet were a few options in redlined that showed Byrne Conley, ACCEL’s Legal Counsel suggested language and the UE language using ACCEL’s coverage terms.

A motion was made to recommend to the Board to keep the existing language for the UAV give back which is Option 1, and adopt Option 1A for the definition that adds language about the Certificate of Waiver of Authorization (COA) and similar federal regulations, which is what Byrne suggested.



MOTION: Mark Howard **SECOND:** Rhonda Combs **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Rhonda Combs	Mark Howard	Ross Brandon
Aye			X	X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

C1c. New Proposed ACCEL Coverage/General Counsel Agreement

Conor Boughey reported that Byrne Conley, ACCEL’s Legal Counsel (Coverage and General) has proposed a new agreement with increased rates. Conor added that Byrne has not increased the rates since 2015.

A motion was made to recommend to the Board to accept the new rates as shown in the agenda packet.

MOTION: Rhonda Combs **SECOND:** Ross Brandon **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Rhonda Combs	Mark Howard	Ross Brandon
Aye			X	X	X
Nay					
Abstain					

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS - No public comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

Mark Howard adjourned the meeting at 10:20 AM.