

MINUTES OF THE ACCEL CLAIMS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 2:30 PM

LOCATION:

Teleconference

Link: <https://alliantinsurance.zoom.us/j/97274876742?pwd=VG1hV0hlaGhPY3FlaWxDSHNjSGs5UT09>

Meeting ID: 972 7487 6742

Passcode: 459145

Dial: (669) 900-6833

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tracey Matthews, City of Anaheim

Jena Covey, City of Bakersfield

Numeya Williams, City of Ontario

Ross Brandon, City of Santa Cruz

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Oles Gordeev, City of Santa Monica

GUESTS AND CONSULTANTS:

Ben Oram, George Hills Company

David Trautz, George Hills Company

Rich Santana, George Hills Company

Conor Boughey, Alliant Insurance Services

Lorissa Huey, Alliant Insurance Services

A. CALL TO ORDER

Tracey Matthews called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR

B1. Approval of Minutes for the January 8, 2024 Claims Committee Meeting

A motion was made to approve the consent calendar.

MOTION: Ross Brandon **SECOND:** Jena Covey **MOTION CARRIED**



	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Numeya Williams	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

C. REPORTS

C1. CLAIMS COMMITTEE’S REPORT

C1a. Proposed Changes: ACCEL Claims Reporting and Handling Policy and Procedure

Lorissa Huey reported that the two proposed changes to the Claims Reporting and Handling Policy and Procedure are 1) a new bullet point in Section VIII. Claims Reimbursement Requests that describes if an occurrence is open and certain claims are resolved, how any additional reimbursements for defense costs and fees will be processed, and 2) defining the process of when a coverage opinion is obtained in Section V. Coverage Determinations. For the first proposed change, there were three proposed changes.

A motion was made to recommend the following proposed changes to the Board:

Remove Options 1 and 2 and revise Option 3 with the limits of \$50,000 or \$100,000 for the Board to discuss further for the proposed new bullet point in Section VIII. Claims Reimbursement Requests.

Also, to add verbiage, “Further, if time is of the essence” in the second sentence of the proposed new paragraph in Section V. Coverage Determinations.

MOTION: Ross Brandon **SECOND:** Jena Covey **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Numeya Williams	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					



C1b. Litigation Update

Ben Oram, George Hills provided the Committee a quarterly litigation update for informational purposes.

C1c. CLOSED SESSION – Pursuant to Gov’t Code 54956.95

A motion was made to enter into Closed Session at 3:00 PM.

MOTION: Ross Brandon **SECOND:** Jena Covey **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Numeya Williams	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

A motion was made to come out of Closed Session at 4:42 PM.

MOTION: Jena Covey **SECOND:** Ross Brandon **MOTION CARRIED**

	Tracey Matthews	Jena Covey	Numeya Williams	Ross Brandon	Oles Gordeev
Aye	X	X	X	X	
Nay					
Abstain					

Conor Boughey reported out of closed session that no reportable action took place. Direction was given to the Program Administrators to add language to the ACCEL Claims Reporting and Handling Policy and Procedure about prefunding requests should be requested by the City’s Finance Director.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS - There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Tracey Matthews adjourned the meeting at 4:49 PM.