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REPORT NO. **R 23-0133**

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

REPORT RE:

SETTLEMENT DISCUSSION

**FARMERS INSURANCE EXCHANGE v. CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.
LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. 22SMCV01228**

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

(Re: Claim Nos. C22-01166 and C23-21943)

Honorable Members:

This office recommends that discussions with, and advice from, legal counsel regarding the recommendation for City Council 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.

This matter is a subrogation claim involving a City-owned sewer line that malfunctioned, causing a sewage back-up at 1200 Club Drive, in the City of Los Angeles.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Assistant City Attorney Dikran H. Sassounian (dikran.sassounian@lacity.org). Mr. Sassounian or another member 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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