

# City of La Quinta

CITY / SA/ HA/ FA MEETING DATE: June 16, 2015

ITEM TITLE: DENY CLAIM FOR DAMAGES FILED BY DAVID

TRUEMAN; DATE OF LOSS - DECEMBER 10, 2014

**AGENDA CATEGORY:** 

**BUSINESS SESSION:** 

**CONSENT CALENDAR:** 2

STUDY SESSION:

**PUBLIC HEARING:** 

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Deny the claim for damages of David Trueman in its entirety.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

- A claim was filed by David Trueman with a reported date of loss of December 10, 2014 for damages.
- It was forwarded to Carl Warren & Company ("CW"), the City's claims administrator.
- CW reviewed the claim and recommends denial, as the reported incident involved the Riverside County Sheriff's department.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Stated damages are in excess of \$25,000.

#### **BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

The claimant alleges damages sustained during an auto accident with a La Quinta Police Officer on December 10, 2014. CW recommends tendering the claim to Riverside County Sheriff's Department, as they have agreed to indemnify the City against all claims of this nature.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

Per the City's contract with Riverside County for law enforcement services, the County indemnifies the City for any and all claims related to the provision of sheriff services. Thus, there is no alternative but to tender this claim to Riverside County.

Report prepared by: Terry Deeringer, Human Resources/Risk Manager Report approved for submission by: Frank J. Spevacek, City Manager