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GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIM

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Agenda: 1/24/06

To: Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors

Re: Claim of Jim Parker, Claim No. 506-047

Original document and associated materials are on file at the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

In regard to the above-referenced claim, this is to recommend that the Board take the following action:

1. Reject the claim of Jim Parker, Claim No. 506-047 and refer to County Counsel.
2. Deny the application to file a late claim on behalf of _____ and refer to County Counsel.
3. Grant the application to file a late claim on behalf of _____ and refer to County Counsel.
4. Approve the claim of _____ in the amount of _____ and reject the balance, if any, and refer to County Counsel.
5. Reject the claim of _____ as insufficiently filed and refer to County Counsel.

RISK MANAGEMENT

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Cc: Tom Bolich, Department of Public Works

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5-1-05

Mr. Thomas Bolich
Santa Cruz Department of Public Work
701 Ocean Street, Room 410,
Santa Cruz, CA 95060



December 12, 2005

Dear Mr. Bolich,

I'm writing to you today to discuss the need for road resurfacing on Summit Road off Highway 17. The section of the road near the Lorna Prieta School has been patched repeatedly over the last 2-3 years and with the wet season coming, it appears that the surfacing is on the verge of disintegration/failure.

Ordinarily, I'd just accept this circumstance and wait for repairs, however in this instance the situation has impacted my economically. Two weeks ago I was commuting to work when my rear wheel went flat. I took it to a tire shop and the mechanic informed me that the rims on the right side of my car were ruined as a result of impact with a pot hole. I immediately knew this was a direct result of this section of Summit Road. In the last few months, I can distinctly remember violent contacts with pot holes on this part of the road. It was so bad last year that someone put a highway cone inside one of the pot holes in the middle of the road so drivers could avoid it.

Accordingly, I'd like to request the following (which I feel are within my rights as a taxpayer in Santa Cruz County)

1. Resurfacing (not patching) this section of Summit Road near Loma Prieta School.
2. Re-imburement for the damages sustained as a result of the state of disrepair of this road. I am forwarding you copies of the receipts evidencing the damage. I am also attaching pictures of both the ruined rims/tires as well as the offending section of road so you can see the current state of affairs as well as the patches of prior pot holes.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Regards,

Jim Parker
27055 Loma Prieta Way
Los Gatos, CA 95033
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	ROUTE DATA	COPY	ATT.
1	DIRECTOR	✓	
	ASST. DIR. SPEC. SVCS.		
	RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE		
	LANDFILL OPERATIONS		
	WATER CON/FLOOD CONT.		
	STORM WATER MANG.		
	CONSTRUCT. ENG.		
	SANITATION ENG.		
	WATER & WASTEWATER		
2	ASST. DIR. TRANSPORT.	✓	
3	ROAD OPS. ENG.	✓	
	PERMITS / ENCROACH.		
	DRAINAGE OPERATIONS		
4	RD. MAINT. OPERATIONS	✓	
	RDA ENG.		
	ROAD DESIGN ENG.		
	SURVEY / DEVELOP M T.		
	TRANSP / RD. PLANNING		
4	ASST. DIR. ADMIN. SVCS.	✓	
	REAL PROPERTY / FLEET		
5	CSA / PRGM ADMIN.	✓	
	SAFETY OFFICER / LIVE OAK P.		
	PERSONNEL / M IS		