



# County of Santa Cruz<sup>0003</sup>

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## GOVERNMENT TORT CLAIM

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

Agenda December 12, 2000

To: Board of Supervisors

Re: Claim of Eric Bellis, No. 001-041

Original document and associated materials are on file at the Clerk to 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 Eric Bellis, No. 001-041 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.

cc: Tom Bolich, Director  
Department of Public Works

RISK MANAGEMENT

By Janet McKinley

COUNTY COUNSEL

By Kim Elizabeth L Baskett

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**CLAIM AGAINST THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ**  
(Pursuant to Section 910 et Seq., Govt. Code)

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TO: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ  
ATTN: Clerk of the Board  
Governmental Center  
701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060



1. Claimant's Name: Eric Bellis  
 Address: 6 Dodge Street  
San Francisco, California 94102  
 Phone No: 415/440-8435  
 P.O. Box to which notices are to be sent: \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Occurrence: Fall into drainage gully  
 Date: May 13, 2000 Place: approx. 21 Seacliff Drive, Aptos
  3. Circumstances of occurrence or transaction giving rise to claim: Walking North-West on Seacliff Drive at 9:45 p.m. on left side. Attempted to walk around storm drain cover near 21 Seacliff Drive and fell into drainage gully, which encroached into pedestrian walkway area beyond boundary denoted by warning flag and raised curb (see attached photos).  
Injuries sustained due to failure to properly fence off or warn of drainage gully.
  4. General description of indebtedness, obligation, injury, damage or loss incurred so far as is now known:  
Badly broken right fibula, injuries to ribs, bruises, medical expenses,  
lost income from inability to work during recuperation period
  5. Name(s) of public employee(s) causing injury, damage or loss, if known: Unknown
  6. Amount claimed now ..... \$ 20,000  
 Estimated amount of future loss, if known. .... \$ unknown at present  

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Basis for above computations: medical expenses, lost income, future medicals, pain and suffering
  8. If the amount claimed is over \$10,000, indicate the court of jurisdiction:  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Municipal Court \_\_\_\_\_ ☒ Superior Court
- CLAIMANT'S SIGNATURE: 

**Note:** Claim must be presented to Clerk, Board of Supervisors, within six (6) months after the act which occasioned the injury.

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