# **SETTLEMENTS OVER \$50,000 FINALIZED IN JUNE 2023**

Case Name	Date Settled	Amount	Description	Notes
David Pelayo, Roberto Hernandez,	6/14/2023	\$250,000	Plaintiffs allege failure to pay	City and Plaintiffs have separately reached
Edmond Andre, Bryan Munoz, and Brian			prevailing wages and related	a tentative settlement, subject to Court
Medeiros, each as an individual, and on			compensation versus employer	approval. The settlement provides for
behalf of the general public for all those			UPA for public works project; UPA	payment of \$250,000 in exchange for full
similarly situated v Utility Partners of			alleges City is obligated to defend	release of liability in the case. The
America, LLC, a Delaware corporation;			and indemnity UPA.	Superior Court approved the settlement
City of Santa Rosa and DOES 1 through				on 4/11/2023. The approval of the
250, inclusive.				settlement was affirmed by the Court of
				Appeal on 6/14/2023. The City has no
				further liability in the matter, but may
				retain additional rights. Legal council is
				currently considering possible next steps.
				Trial has been continued to 1/19/2024.
				Pending finalization of settlement
				payment.

				IGATION AS OF JUNE 29, 2025						
Case Number	Full Case Name	Status	Category	Case Description	Case Notes	Amount Claimed	Dismissed Date	Settled Date	Settleme	nt Amount
SCV-273045	People of the State of California, City of Santa Rosa v. The Testate and Intestate Successors of Norman Hartung, Deceased, and all Persons Claiming by, Through, or Under Such Decedent Any Right, Title, Estate, Lien or Interest in Real Property Known as 642 Benjamins Road, Santa Rosa, and Does 1-10	Active	Code Enforcement/Receivership	Receivership	Complaint filed 3/13/2023; hearing held 5/24/2023; Judge indicated he would sign proposed order appointing receiver; CMC scheduled for 8/22/2023.	According to Proof				
<b>GENERAL LITIGAT</b>	TION									
SCV-265333	Bay Cities Paving & Grading, Inc., a California corporation v. City of Santa Rosa, a body politic, and Does 1-50		General Litigation – Breach of Contract	Allegation of Breach of Contract arising out of public works construction project	Preliminary discovery underway; first session of mediation completed on 6/5/2023; Trial is scheduled for 3/22/2024.	According to Proof				
	Nicholle Vannucci, Ellen Brown, and Shannon Hall, individuals; and Homeless Actionl, an unincorporated association v. County of Sonoma, Sonoma County Community Development Commission, City of Santa Rosa, and Does I to XX		General Litigation - Constitutional and ADA	Complaint for Declaratory Relief and Injunctive Relief (homeless encampments)	The Court granted leave to the Plaintiffs to file a Second Amended Complaint, expanding the scope of the litigation and the City has filed its Answer; Discovery has commenced and is ongoing; Trial has been continued to 9/9/2024.					
SCV-272177	Mark Kimmel v. Wyatt Irrigation Co, Phil Wyatt, Rita Wyatt, City of Santa Rosa, DOES 1 to 20		General Litigation - Property Damage	entrance into Wyatt Irrigation Co.	Plaintiff filed an amended complaint on 2/17/203; the City has demurred to the amended complaint, hearing on which is set for 7/5/2023; There is an initial Case Management Conference scheduled for 7/27/2023.	According to Proof				
	United States, et al., ex rel. John Hendrix v. J-M Manufacturing Company, Inc., et al.		General Litigation – Qui Tam	court action) filed against water pipe manufacturer for false claims	The Court denied exemplar plaintiff damages; final judgment expected soon and likely appeal to the Ninth Circuit on multiple issues; City's claims (as non-exemplar plaintiff) are currently stayed.	According to Proof				
SCV-264530	David Pelayo, Roberto Hernandez, Edmond Andre, Bryan Munoz, and Brian Medeiros, each as an individual, and on behalf of the general public for all those similarly situated v Utility Partners of America, LLC, a Delaware corporation; City of Santa Rosa and DOES 1 through 250, inclusive.	Active - Set for Trial	General Litigation – Wage Claim	Plaintiffs allege failure to pay prevailing wages and related compensation versus employer UPA for public works project; UPA alleges City is obligated to defend and indemnity UPA.	Mediation involving all parties was unsuccessful; Court granted UPA's motion for summary judgment on equitable indemnity; Court overruled UPA's demurrer to City's cross-complaint for contractual indemnity, thereby leaving the City's cross-calains for indemnity in place; Discovery is underway; Although global mediation has been unsuccessful, City and Plaintiffs have separately reached a tentative settlement, subject to Court approval; the settlement provides for payment of \$250,000 in exchange for full release of liability in the case; the Superior Court approved the settlement on 4/11/2023; the approval of the settlement was affirmed by the Court of Appeal on 6/14/2023; settlement payment is pending; the City has no further liability in the matter, but may retain additional rights; legal council is currently considering possible next steps; Trial has been continued to 1/19/2024.	According to Proof		6/14/2023	\$	250,000.00
SRPD #22-13377	Lori Knigge v. Superior Court of Sonoma County	Active - Pleadings	General Litigation - Other	Notice of Motion and Non-Statutory Motion for Return of Property	Motion hearing set for 7/24/2023.	According to Proof				
<b>PERSONAL INJUR</b>	Υ									
SCV-269603	Leocha Metellus-McLemore v. City of Santa Rosa, DOES 1 to 25	Active - Pleadings	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Claimant alleges they suffered physical and emotional pain during arrest.	Initial Case Management Conference set for 7/13/2023.	According to proof				
SCV-269977	Antonia Ibarra v. Charles Robinson; The City of Santa Rosa; and DOES 1-10		Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Claimant alleges they were injured during collision with City vehicle	settlement with Plaintiff for \$13,500 on 2/23/2023; pending finalization of written settlement agreement with dismissal to follow.	According to Proof				
SCV-270785	Constance Brown v. City of Santa Rosa, and DOES 1 to 10, inclusive	Active - Set for Trial	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Claimant alleges they tripped and fell over raised slab while walking on sidewalk	City mediated this case on 4/6/2023; case did not settle; initial written discovery has been completed and Plaintiff's deposition was taken on 2/21/2023; Trial set for 10/6/2023; Further written discovery and depositions are underway.	According to Proof				

				TIGATION AS OF JUNE 23, 2023					
Case Number SCV-270898	Full Case Name Cindy Gemignani, as conservator of the Estate o Daryl W. Titus v. City of Santa Rosa, Jose Andrade and DOES 1-20 inclusive		Category Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Case Description Claimant alleges they suffered injuries when struck by a vehicle when an off duty SRPD officer instructed them to cross street	Case Notes Complaint has been served and an Answer has been filed on behalf of City of Santa Rosa and the officer; discovery has commenced; The matter has been set for further Case Management Conference on 9/26/2023; Co-defendant has failed to file a responsive pleading and is now subject to a default; Plaintiff's attorney has named co-defendant's uncle as a party, and is requesting a Stipulation allowing him to file a First Amended Complaint.	-	Dismissed Date	Settled Date	Settlement Amount
SCV-271238	Cathleen Cisneros v. City of Santa Rosa, Linda Corwin, and DOES 1 to 10			Plaintiff alleges they suffered injuries when they hit a low hanging tree branch hanging over sidewalk	City has filed an Answer and a Cross- Complaint against the adjacent property owner; all parties have appeared and discovery has commenced; Trial has been set for 2/23/2024. Plaintiff's Deposition set for 6/14/2023 is being rescheduled.	According to Proof			
SCV-271731	Paula Littleton v. City of Santa Rosa, Hanna Holdings LLC, and Does 1-10	Active - Set for Trial	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Plaintiff alleges they tripped and fell over a cut-down street sweeping sign	City has filed an Answer and a cross- complaint against the adjacent property owner; discovery has commenced; a jury trial is set for 08/02/2024.	According to Proof			
SCV-272128	Bruce Baxter v. City of Santa Rosa, Steven R. Savage, and DOES 1 to 100 inclusive	Active - Pleadings	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Plaintiff alleges they suffered injuries when they tripped and fell due to uneven sidewalk	Answer has been filed and discovery has commenced; Plaintiff filed a First Amended Complaint naming a new property owner as a second defendant; prior defendant Savage will be dismissed; an Answer to the First Amended Complaint will be filed shortly; Case Management Conference set for 07/06/2023.	According to Proof			
SCV-272148	Tomas Guerrero v. City of Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa Police Department, Jonathan Morgan, and Does 1-10		Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Alleges police officer failed to yield right of way and collided with plaintiff's vehicle	City filed its Answer on 2/15/2023; initial written discovery is underway; Trial has been set for 4/19/2024.	According to Proof			
SCV-272343	Kim Taylor v. City of Santa Rosa and Does 1-10	Active - Set for Trial	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Plaintiff alleges they suffered injuries when they tripped and fell due to uneven sidewalk	Complaint served on defendant City of Santa Rosa on 2/8/2023; the City filed its answer and ROE Cross-Complaint on 3/8/2023; initial written discovery is underway; Trial has been set for 5/17/2024.	According to Proof			
SCV-272486	Eveline Jones v. City of Santa Rosa; and DOES 1 to 50, inclusive	Active - Discovery	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Plaintiff alleges they suffered injuries when they tripped and fell due to uneven sidewalk	Complaint served on defendant City of Santa Rosa on 2/10/2023; The City has met and conferred with Plaintiff in advance of demurrer, Plaintiff filed a First Amended Complaint and City has answered; written discovery has commenced; a subsequent Case Management Conference and trial setting is scheduled for 10/17/2023.	According to Proof			
SCV-273290	Josefina Moreno v. City of Santa Rosa, Geovann Rechy Corona, and Does 1 through 50, inclusive	_	Personal Injury/Dangerous Condition	Claimant alleges CityBus employee negligently operated their vehicle causing collision with claimant's, resulting in injuries		According to Proof			
POLICE ACTION									
3:19-cv-02450-VC	Debra Giambastiani v City of Santa Rosa Santa Rosa Chief of Police Robert Schreeder, Santa Rosa Officer Timothy Gooler, Santa Rosa Officer Tyler Laron, Santa Rosa Officer Christopher Mahurin, Santa Rosa Officer Kenneth Ferrigno, Santa Rosa employees DOES 1-25, County of Santa Rosa employees DOES 1-25, County of Conoma, Sonoma County Sheriff Mark Essick, Sonoma County employees DOES 26-50, Jointly and Severally		Police Action	Alleged civil rights violation; malicious prosecution; false arrest and imprisonment; assault and battery; negligence; invasion of privacy; intentional infliction of emotional distress	Case stayed; Appellant entered a no contest plea in the criminal case, however, she intends to file an appeal; the matter remains stayed; It appears the appeal will be heard in June 2023.	According to Proof			

				IGATION AS OF JONE 23, 2023					
Case Number 3:22-cv-05270	Full Case Name  ANGELINA LOPEZ, individually and as cosuccessor-in interest to Decedent JORDON  PAS; E.L., individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; J.P., individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; J.P., individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; NEYO ALVAREZ, individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; SESERINA ALVAREZ, individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; C.P., individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS; D.P., individually and as co-successor-in interest to Decedent JORDON PAS, vs. CITY OF SANTA ROSA, municipal corporation; MATTHEW CROSBIE, individually and in his capacity as a Police Sergeant for the CITY OF SANTA ROSA; JONATHAN MORGAN, individually and in his official capacity as a Police Officer for the CITY OF SANTA ROSA; ROBERT MOORE, individually and in his official capacity as a Police Officer for the CITY OF SANTA ROSA; and DOES 1-50, inclusive	Status Active - Set for Trial	Category Police Action	Case Description  Complaint alleges Violation of Civil  Rights, Excessive Force, Wrongful Death, Negligence, Assault & Battery, Violation of California Civil Code \$52.1, and Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress	Case Notes Complaint served on defendant City of Santa Rosa on 11/3/2022; Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint in response to the City's 12(c) Motion; City filed its Answer to the operative pleading on 1/17/2023; discovery is underway; the settlement conference scheduled for 6/13/2023 proved unsuccessful; Trial scheduled for 8/19/2024.	Amount Claimed According to Proof	Dismissed Date	Settled Date	Settlement Amount
3:23-cv-02730-SK	Christine Jones Pro Se v. County of Sonoma, Sonoma County Public Defender's Office (Fabiola Manai in her official capacity), City of Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa Police Department (Sergeant Matthew North in his official capacity)	Active - Pleadings	Police Action	Claimant alleges obstruction of justice, denial of due process	Complaint was filed on 5/30/2023 by pro se plaintiff; Summons issued by Court on 6/9/2023 and service packet delivered to U.S. Marshal for service on defendants as in forma pauperis application was granted; Initial Case Management Conference scheduled for 8/28/2023.	-			
SCV-270820	James Lindsey v. Santa Rosa Police Department and Officers Jason Jucutan, T. White, D. Schindler, B. Wright, J. Badger, George Berg	Active - Pleadings	Police Action	Claimant alleges civil rights were violated during arrest.	Case Management Conference held on 5/9/2023 and Plaintiff failed to appear; Court set the matter for 7/11/2023 for an order to show cause why Plaintiff did not appear.	According to Proof			
SCV-272167	Christopher Vickery v. Luigi Valencia, George Pulis, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc., and DOES 1-50, inclusive	Active - Pleadings	Police Action	Alleged violation of civils rights	City filed a demurrer to Complaint based on plaintiff's failure to file a government tort claim; Plaintiff filed a dismissal without prejudice in response; On 5/17/2023, a hearing was held before Hon. Rene Chouteau and the dismissal was vacated; City re-filed its Demurrer to Complaint on 6/9/2023; a Case Management Conference is scheduled for 7/27/2023.	According to Proof			
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SCV-266092	James L. Duncan v Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District, City of Santa Rosa, County of Sonoma	Stayed	Writ of Mandate	Writ of Mandate and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief relating to proposed Jennings Ave Crossing of SMART rail line. City is a Real Party in Interest and not a Defendant.	Judgment was entered by the Court granting Defendant SMART District's Motion for Summary Judgment on 7/19/2022; Plaintiff filed a Notice of Appeal on 08/04/2022; Appellate briefs have been filed by all sides, awaiting oral argument and Court decision.				
SCV-272714	Airport Business Center, a California limited partnership v. City of Santa Rosa; City Council of the City of Santa Rosa; and DOES 1 through 25, inclusive	Active - Pleadings	Writ of Mandate	Writ of Mandate and Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief relating to designation of a parking garage (Garage 5) as surplus property under Surplus Land Act.	Complaint served on defendant City of Santa Rosa and Santa Rosa City Council on 3/02/2023; request to prepare Administrative Record received on 3/29/2023; preparation of the Administrative Record is underway; answer will be filed 30 days after filing of the Administrative Record.	According to Proof			

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SVC-268752	Western Manufactured Housing Communities	Active - Set for Trial	Writ of Mandate	Complaint for declaratory and injunctive	City filed an Opposition to Plaintiff's Second	According to Proof			
	Association and Rincon Valley dba Rincon Valley			relief; Petition for Writ of Traditional	Motion for Summary Judgment on				
	Mobilehome Park v. City of Santa Rosa;			Mandamus; regarding mobile home park	5/10/2023; Hearing on City's and Plaintiffs'				
	Department of Housing and Community of the			rent control ordinance - application of	Motions for Summary Judgment was heard				
	City of Santa Rosa; Megan Basinger, in her			State price gouging limitations	on 5/24/2023 with City's motion granted				
	official capacity as Interim Director of the				and plaintiffs' motion denied in full; Trial				
	Department of Community Services of the City				set for 9/8/2023.				
	of Santa Rosa; and DOES 1 through 20, inclusive								

## **NEW CLAIMS REFERRED TO THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN JUNE 2023**

No claims received in June

Claim Amount Location Description of Claim

No claims received in June