



**Honorable Mayor and Members of the Hermosa Beach City Council**

**RECOMMENDATION TO REJECT CLAIMS**

(Risk Management Analyst Marco Ponce)

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**Recommended Action:**

Staff recommends City Council reject the following claims and refer them to the City's Liability Claims Administrator:

Claimant: Kaaren Lee Brown  
Loss Date: January 9, 2024  
Date Filed: May 1, 2024  
Allegation: Claimant alleges the City failed to consult with its Arborist regarding work near tree planted on her property.  
Denial Reason: The City found insufficient evidence to support the claimant's allegation that the City damaged the roots causing instability of her privately-owned magnolia tree.

Claimant: Patricia Perazzolo  
Loss Date: Claimant alleges continuous loss over the prior two years.  
Date Filed: May 14, 2024  
Allegation: Claimant alleges property damage to her personal vehicle due to small parking spaces in front of her residence.  
Denial Reason: The City found the parking spaces in front of the claimant's residence are compliant and the Statute of Limitations for property damage extends beyond the six-month filing period.

**Attachments:**

1. Claim from Kaaren Lee Brown
2. Claim from Patricia Perazzolo

**Respectfully Submitted by:** Marco Ponce, Risk Management Analyst

**Concur:** Vanessa Godinez, Human Resources Manager

**Legal Review:** Patrick Donegan, City Attorney

**Approved:** Suja Lowenthal, City Manager