



CITY OF BALDWIN PARK

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City of Baldwin Park Reaches Settlement with Daniel Saldana

BALDWIN PARK, CA – The City of Baldwin Park has settled the case of *Daniel Saldana v. Michael Donovan et al.*

The settlement concerns incidents alleged to have occurred more than 35 years ago. No current employees or agents of the City were involved.

After his case was reopened in 2023 by the LA District Attorney's Office, it was determined Mr. Saldana spent 33 years in prison for a wrongful conviction in 1990. As one of several agencies named in the lawsuit, the City has agreed to settle its portion of the case for \$19.1 million. The City sincerely hopes Mr. Saldana can now move forward in his new life.

This settlement resolves all litigation Mr. Saldana has against the City.

The Baldwin Park City Council unanimously approved the settlement in closed session on Nov. 5. The first installment of \$16.1 million will be paid within 60 days. The remaining balance of \$3 million will be paid in annual installments over the next three years. Approximately half of the settlement, \$9.75 million, will be paid by the City's liability insurance. The remaining amount will be paid from the City's general funds reserves.

This matter is now resolved, and the City is focused on the future of Baldwin Park.

About the City of Baldwin Park:

Baldwin Park is a nearly seven-square-mile, suburban community of 72,000 residents in the heart of the San Gabriel Valley. As the hub of the San Gabriel Valley, Baldwin Park is known for its ease of access and mobility, young and diverse residents and vibrant, growing business community. For more information, visit baldwinpark.com or follow Baldwin Park on Facebook (@BaldwinParkCAGov), Instagram (BaldwinPark_CAGov) and Twitter (BaldwinParkCA_).

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