

**CITY OF ALBANY  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: 09/06/05  
Date Prepared: 08/22/05  
Reviewed by:

Subject: Claim #AL496; Baozhen Zhang, Jiaqing Wang, Mercury Casualty  
Insurance Company v. City of Albany

Report By: Jacqueline L. Bucholz, City Clerk

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**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Reject the claims and authorize the City Clerk to send out the appropriate rejection notices to Mr. Alan S. Yee, Attorney for Baozhen Zhang and Jiaqing Wang and Ms. Ellen Cornwall, Insurance Adjustor.

**BACKGROUND**

On July 29, 2005, the City received separate claims from Baozhen Zhang & Jiaqing Wang, the parents of Jie Wang, alleging damages for death of son. The amount claimed is in excess of \$10,000.00.

On August 18, 2005, the City received a claim from Mercury Casualty Insurance, alleging property damage to heirs of Jie Wang in the amount of \$1,138.64; \$4,379.76 for total loss of insured, Laurel Carter's car; \$15,000.00 bodily injury settlement to Jiaqing Wang and Baozhen Zhang, heirs of fatally injured driver, Jie Wang. Total claim in the amount of \$20,518.40.

These claims were referred to George Hills Company for their review and recommendation. George Hills Company has recommended that all three claims (Baozhen Zhang, Jiaqing Wang and Mercury Insurance) be rejected.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Possibility of a lawsuit.