



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 1/26/10
Placement: Admin
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer
Director(s)
Contact Info: Terri Nisich, Assistant CEO, 568.3412
SUBJECT: Consider Response to the Grand Jury Report on “Affordable Housing In Santa Barbara County – Myth or Reality?”

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence:

Recommended Actions:

1. Adopt the response in Attachment (1) as the Board of Supervisors' follow up to the 2006-07 Grand Jury Report entitled “Affordable Housing In Santa Barbara County – Myth or Reality?” per the request of a Grand Jury letter dated December 29, 2009 , and
2. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter included in Attachment (1) forwarding the responses to the Presiding Judge.

Summary Text:

On May 25, 2007, the Civil Grand Jury released a report entitled “Affordable Housing In Santa Barbara County – Myth or Reality?” This report explains affordable housing programs in Santa Barbara County across various jurisdictions. On December 29, 2009 the Grand Jury submitted follow-up correspondence seeking clarifying information concerning a recommendation in the above-referenced report that “at least annually, each jurisdiction should hold informational meetings to explain all aspects of its affordable housing program.” Attachment 1 provides the requested response and supporting documentation.

Background:

Per California Penal Code Section 933 (b), the governing body of the agency, the Board of Supervisors, must respond within 90 days after the issuance of the Grand Jury Report. Therefore, the Board of Supervisors' response must be finalized and transmitted to the Courts and the Grand Jury no later than January 27, 2009.

Performance Measure:

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: Responding to a civil grand jury report is a State mandate. Any specific fiscal impacts associated with the particular findings and recommendations contained within this report will be included as part of the administrative item on January 26, 2010.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

The response of the Board of Supervisors must be transmitted to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court no later than January 27, 2010. The Clerk of the Board is requested to return the signed letter to Stephanie Fodor in the County Executive Office for distribution to the Superior Court. The signed letter and attachments must be forwarded to the Grand Jury on January 27, 2010.

Attachments:

1. Letter and Attachments to the Superior Court Judge with Board of Supervisors Response
2. Civil Grand Jury Letter on December 29, 2010 requesting a follow up to the 2006-2007 Report entitled "Affordable Housing In Santa Barbara County – Myth or Reality?"

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