

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Board of Supervisors' Response to the 2002-2003 Grand Jury Report on "Guadalupe-A City in Turmoil and Transition"

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors

- A. Consider the recommended Board of Supervisors response to the 2002-2003 Grand Jury Report titled: "Guadalupe- A City in Turmoil and Transition"
- B. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign the attached letter (Attachment A) to Clifford R. Anderson, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court, transmitting the Board's adopted response.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendations are primarily aligned with the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Goal # I : An Efficient Government Able to Anticipate and Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Grand Jury Report was released on May 22, 2003. In accordance with Penal Code Section 933(c), the governing body of the agency (Board of Supervisors) must respond within 90 days after issuance of the Grand Jury report. Consequently, the Board of Supervisors' response must be finalized and transmitted to the Presiding Judge of the Courts no later than Wednesday, August 20, 2003.

The Guadalupe- A City in Turmoil and Transition Grand Jury Report contains a total of 16 Findings and 16 Recommendations, the majority of which the City of Guadalupe is required to respond to as the governing body. Three County Departments are required respondents for Finding and Recommendation # 15 only. They are: the Auditor- Controller, the Housing and Community Development Department, and County Counsel. For Finding and Recommendation # 15, the Board of Supervisors is the governing body and must

also respond. A copy of the Grand Jury Report and proposed Board of Supervisors' response to Finding and Recommendation #15 is attached.

Mandates and Service Levels:

California Penal Code Section 933(c) requires that no later than 90 days after the Grand Jury submits a final report on the operations of a public agency, the governing body of the public agency shall comment to the presiding judge of the superior court on the findings and recommendations pertaining to matters under their control. These comments, in and of themselves, do not change existing programs or services levels.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The recommended responses do not have a fiscal or facilities impact.

Special Instructions:

None

**C: Robert Geis, County Auditor-Controller
Ed Moses, Director, Housing and Community Development
Stephen Shane Stark, County Counsel**

Attachments: Attachment A – Letter of Transmittal to Clifford R. Anderson, Presiding Judge
Attachment B – Grand Jury Report titled “Guadalupe — A City in Turmoil and Transition
Attachment C – County Auditor-Controllers Response
Attachment D – County Counsel Response
Attachment E – Housing and Community Development Response