



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: County Executive Office
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: July 17, 2007
Placement: Departmental
Estimated Tme: 10 minutes
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer
Director
Contact Info: Jim Laponis, Deputy CEO, 568-3400
SUBJECT: Set Hearing to Consider Response to the Grand Jury Report on “Los Prietos Boys Camp/Academy, An Oasis of Hope.”

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors:

- a. Adopt the responses in Attachment (1) as the Board of Supervisors’ responses to the 2006-07 Grand Jury Report entitled “Los Prietos Boys Camp/Academy, An Oasis of Hope, and
- b. Authorize the Chair to sign the letter included in Attachment (1) forwarding the responses to the Presiding Judge.

Summary Text:

On May 22, 2007, the Civil Grand Jury released a report entitled “Los Prietos Boys Camp, An Oasis of Hope.” The report includes eight findings and eight recommendations. The Board of Supervisors and the Probation Department are named as the Santa Barbara County government responders to the findings and recommendations.

It is recommended that the Board agree with the Findings 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 and 8, disagree with Finding 3 and partially disagree with Finding 6; and, further determine that Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 have been or will be implemented and Recommendation 6 will not be implemented. Details are outlined in Attachment (1). The Chief Probation Officer concurs with the recommended Board actions.

Background:

The Grand Jury Report was released on May 22, 2007. In accordance with California Penal Code Section 933(c), the governing body of the agency (Board of Supervisors) must respond within 90 days after issuance of the report. Consequently, the Board of Supervisors’ responses must be finalized and transmitted to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court no later than Tuesday, August 20, 2007.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

None

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: There are no fiscal or facilities impacts from the proposed recommendations.

Special Instructions:

The response of the Board of Supervisors must be transmitted to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court no later than Tuesday, August 20, 2007. The Clerk of the Board is requested to return the signed letter to Brenda Castillo, County Executive Office, for distribution to the Superior Court. The signed letter, written responses and a 3 ½” computer disc with the response in a Microsoft Word file must be forwarded to the Grand Jury.

Attachments: *

1. Letter to the Superior Court Judge with Board of Supervisors Responses
2. Grand Jury Report entitled “Los Prietos Boys Camp/Academy, An Oasis of Hope.”

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