

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

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Department Name:

Department No.:

For Agenda Of: June 26, 2007

Placement: Admin/Set Hea

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Estimated Tme: 10 minutes on 7/10/07

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If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer

Director

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SUBJECT: Set Hearing to Consider Response to the Grand Jury Report entitled "Law, Justice

and Public Safety: Selected Community Challenges"

Recommended Actions: That the Board of Supervisors:

A. Set a hearing on the departmental agenda for July 10, 2007 to discuss and consider the Board of Supervisors' responses to the 2006-2007 Grand Jury Report entitled "Law, Justice and Public Safety: Selected Community Challenges."

Summary Text:

On May 10, 2007, the Civil Grand Jury released a report entitled "Law, Justice and Public Safety: Selected Community Challenges." The focus of the Grand Jury's investigation was to answer whether the perceived lack of enforcement is due to limited resources or to poor policies, or a combination. The Grand Jury investigated several chosen topics and made five findings and five recommendations. The Board of Supervisors and the Sheriff's Department are the two responders from Santa Barbara County government for all findings and all recommendations. The response to the Grand Jury report is currently being prepared and will be presented as part of the July 10, 2007, Board Hearing.

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 August 7, 2007.

Performance Measure:

None

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

None

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: N/A

Staffing Impacts:

<u>Legal Positions:</u> <u>FTEs:</u>

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Special Instructions:

<u>Attachments:</u> Grand Jury Report entitled "Law, Justice and Public Safety: Selected Community Challenges."

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