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Clerk of the Napa Superior Court
By: C. Brennan
Deputy

August 5, 2016

The Honorable Mark S. Boessenecker
Presiding Judge of the Napa County Superior Court
825 Brown Street
Napa, CA 94559

Re: City of Napa Response to Napa County Grand Jury (2015-2016) Final Report on
Gang Activity in Napa County

Dear Judge Boessenecker:

The City Council of the City of Napa has reviewed the findings and recommendations contained in the Napa County Grand Jury (2015-2016) Final Report on Gang Activity in Napa County - The Positive Impact of Pro-Active Measures. As required by California Penal Code Section 933(c), the City Council considered its response to that Grand Jury Report during its regular meeting of August 2, 2016, and the City Council approved the response attached to this letter.

The City of Napa commends the members of the Grand Jury for their service to our community. We are prepared to discuss any questions the Grand Jury may have regarding the City's response.

Sincerely,

Mike Parness
City Manager

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cc: Paul J. Roberts, Napa County Grand Jury Foreperson
Mayor and Members of City Council
Michael W. Barrett, City Attorney
Steve Potter, City of Napa Police Chief

**CITY OF NAPA CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA REPORT**

**CONSENT CALENDAR
AGENDA ITEM 12.C.
Date: August 02, 2016**

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Steve Potter, Police Chief

Prepared by: Steve Potter, Police Chief

Subject: Response to Napa County Grand Jury Final Report on Gang Activity in Napa County

ISSUE STATEMENT:

Approve the City response to the 2015-2016 Napa Grand Jury Report.

DISCUSSION:

This report provides the recommended response from the City of Napa to the Napa County Grand Jury (2015-2016) Final Report concerning gang activity in Napa County. Although the Grand Jury did not request a response from the City of Napa, the City has an obligation to respond to the findings and recommendations of the Grand Jury that pertain to matters under the control of the City (in accordance with California Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05).

Members of the Napa Police Department collaborate with and provide training to other law enforcement agencies in Napa County on gang matters, teach in the Legacy Program and are assigned to the public high schools in Napa as School Resource Officers (SROs). The role the Napa Police Department plays in gang enforcement, prevention, and at the Napa public high schools obligates the City to respond.

The 2015-2016 Grand Jury Findings:

Finding 1: Efforts of law enforcement to address gang activity in Napa County have been successful in limiting its impacts.

City Response to Finding 1: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 2: Efforts of administrators and staff at NVUSD and at St. Helena High School to address gang activity on high school campuses have been successful in limiting its impact.

City Response to Finding 2: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 3: Significant gang activity remains in Napa County generally and in Vintage High School, Valley Oaks High School and Napa High School.

Response to Finding 3: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 4: Gang activity on the campuses of Vintage High School, Valley Oaks High School and Napa High School is more akin to social affiliation than a violent organization or criminal enterprise.

City Response to Finding 4: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 5: Efforts at Vintage High School with the Legacy Program have been particularly successful in attracting gang members and potential gang members, and in dissuading them from following a gang lifestyle. However, the success of the Legacy Program is limited to Vintage High School and likely due to the individuals involved in establishing and running the program there.

City Response to Finding 5: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 6: Napa High School is nearest to Vintage High School on a demographic analysis.

City Response to Finding 6: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 7: It is uncertain whether the Legacy Program could be effectively established at other campuses.

City Response to Finding 7: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 8: Gang activity is not a present danger at American Canyon High School.

City Response to Finding 8: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 9: Gang activity is not a present danger at St. Helena High School.

City Response to Finding 9: The City agrees with this finding.

Finding 10: Gang activity is not a present danger at Calistoga High School.

City Response to Finding 10: The City agrees with this finding.

The 2015-2016 Grand Jury Recommendations:

The Grand Jury report contained two (2) recommendations.

Recommendation 1: Continue and expand the use of SROs at all Napa County public high school campuses.

City Response to Recommendation 1: The recommendation to continue the use of SROs has been implemented by the Napa Police Department at the high school campuses within the City. The recommendation to expand the use of SROs requires further analysis by the Napa Police Department in collaboration with NVUSD. The analysis to expand the use of SROs in the high schools by the Napa Police Department will include a review of staffing, fiscal, and needs considerations. This analysis will be completed by September 30, 2016.

Recommendation 2: Continue the Legacy Program at Vintage High School and use as a model for other high schools, in particular Napa High School and Valley Oaks High School.

City Response to Recommendation 2: The recommendation to continue the Legacy Program at Vintage High School and to use as a model for other high schools has been implemented by the Napa Police Department. The recommendation to use the Legacy Program as a model for other high schools, in particular Napa High School and Valley Oaks High School will require further analysis by the Napa Police Department in collaboration with NVUSD. The analysis to use the Legacy Program as a model for other high schools, in particular Napa High School and Valley Oaks High School will include a review of staffing, fiscal, and needs considerations. This analysis will be completed by September 30, 2016.

FINANCIAL IMPACTS:

None

CEQA:

The City Manager has determined that the recommended action described in this report is not subject to CEQA, pursuant to CEQA guidelines.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

None – A copy of the Grand Jury Report is available on-line at www.napa.courts.ca.gov/grand-jury/reports-response-2015-2016.

NOTIFICATION:

None.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the City Council move, second and approve each of the actions set forth below, in the form of the following motion. Move to:

Approve the City's response to the 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report finding and recommendation (as outlined above, and incorporating any changes made to the responses by the City Council during the meeting), and direct the City Manager

to submit the response on behalf of the City Council, the City Manager and other City officials as required, to the presiding judge of the Superior Court.