Grand Jury

Contra Costa County 725 Court Street P.O. Box 431 Martinez, CA 94553-0091

June 14, 2024

Antioch City Council P.O Box 5007 Antioch, CA 94531-5007



Dear Antioch City Council:

Attached is a copy of Grand Jury Report No. 2405, "Challenges Facing the City of Antioch" by the 2023-2024 Contra Costa County Grand Jury

In accordance with California Penal Code Section 933 et seq., we are submitting this report to you as the officer, agency, or department responsible for responding to the report. Please respond to the Findings and Recommendations as they apply to your agency. Please also confirm in writing that the person responding to the report is authorized to do so. As the responding person or person responding on behalf of an entity, please indicate one of the following actions with respect to each finding:

- (1) You agree with the finding.
- (2) You disagree with the finding.
- (3) You partially disagree with the finding.

(Pen. Code, § 933.05(a).) In the cases of both (2) and (3) above, please specify the portion of the finding that is disputed, and include an explanation of the reasons therefor.

In addition, Section 933.05(b) requires you to reply to each recommendation by stating one of the following actions:

- 1. The recommendation has been implemented, with a summary describing the implemented action.
- 2. The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future, with a time frame for implementation.
- 3. The recommendation requires further analysis. This response should explain the scope and parameters of the analysis or study, and a time frame for the matter to be prepared for discussion. This time frame shall not exceed six months from the date of the publication of the Grand Jury Report.
- 4. The recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted or is not reasonable, with an explanation thereof.

The Penal Code also prescribes the obligations of a governing board or elected county official

with regard to responding to the grand jury's findings and recommendations. Specifically, if the report contains one or more recommendations directed to you as an elected county official, or to the governing board of which you are a member, you must respond to these recommendations and to the supporting findings, as directed in the report.

After reviewing the response to ensure that it includes the above-noted mandated items, please send (1) a hard copy of the response to the Grand Jury at P.O. Box 431, Martinez, CA 94553; and (2) an electronic copy by e-mail to ctadmin@contracosta.courts.ca.gov. The response must be submitted to the Grand Jury no later than **Monday**, **September 13**, **2024**.

Finally, please note that this report is provided at least two working days before it is released publicly. Section 933.05 specifies that no officer, agency, department, or governing body of a public agency shall disclose any contents of the report prior to its public release.

Please immediately confirm receipt of this letter and the attached report by responding via e-mail to ctadmin@contracosta.courts.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Joanne Sarmento, Foreperson

20223-2024 Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury

Cc: Kwame Reed