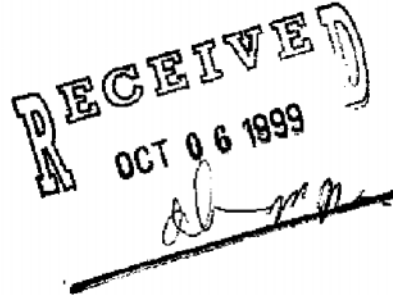




EDMUND F. SOTELO
City Manager

September 23, 1999



Honorable Charles Campbell
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
Ventura County Hall of Justice
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Dear Judge Campbell:

This letter is in response to the 1998-1999 Ventura County Grand Jury report titled "Year 2000 Computer Problem." The City of Oxnard offers the following responses to the recommendations contained in the Grand Jury report.

Recommendation R3 (Contingency Plans)

The City of Oxnard concurs with this recommendation. The City has undertaken a comprehensive and in-depth effort to prepare, review, and finalize its contingency planning. As reported to the Oxnard City Council on August 31, 1999, all contingency plans have been finalized. These contingency plans were attached to the written report provided to the City Council on August 31, 1999. The complete report, a public record, is filed with the City Clerk.

Recommendation R4 (Leap Year)

The City of Oxnard concurs with this recommendation. The City's main midrange computer is an AS400 system with HTE software, which hosts all central applications. We have received assurances from both the hardware and software vendors that these systems are Leap Year compliant. Additionally, our Citywide personal computer testing included a specific Leap Year test component.

Recommendation R6 (System Testing)

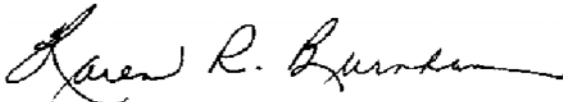
The City of Oxnard concurs with this recommendation. The City has been conducting testing for months. This testing not only includes our central information systems, but also such areas as Water and Wastewater. As complex as the Y2K problem is, the City plans to test and retest right up to December 31, 1999.

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We would also like to take the opportunity to point out that the Y2K Needs Assessment (Figure 3) shown on page 17 was actually developed and provided by the City of Oxnard (not the County of Ventura). On page 20, the City of Oxnard is accurately given credit for this submittal.

We thank the Ventura County Grand Jury for their insightful findings and recommendations. If you have any additional concerns or questions regarding this response, please feel free to contact Grace Magistrale Hoffman, Deputy City Manager at 385-7445.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Edmund F. Sotelo".

Edmund F. Sotelo
City Manager