



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

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MEMORANDUM

To: Foreman, Ventura County Grand Jury
From: Robert F. Clark, City Manager
Subject: Graffiti in Ventura County Cities
Date: July 10, 2012

The staff of the City of Ojai has discussed the following recommendations and will take the actions described to study the applicability in the City of Ojai:

R-01. Cities should aggressively pursue the recovery of costs from the individual(s) convicted of graffiti vandalism.

The City will request that the District Attorney seek restitution orders with future prosecutions.

R-04. The Cities should enlist the assistance of volunteer groups within the County for graffiti abatement. Such groups might include: Sheriff's and Youth Graffiti Removal Incident Team; Keep America Beautiful; and various civic groups.

With the limited number of graffiti incidents in Ojai we have found that a quick response by City crews is faster and more efficient, and takes fewer resources than recruiting and supervising volunteers.

R-05. The Cities, with the exception of Port Hueneme and Santa Paula, should amend their city codes regarding graffiti vandalism to include provisions for the city to petition the sentencing court for the delay or suspension of driving privileges for those convicted of graffiti vandalism, as allowed for in the state vehicle code

It is the responsibility of the courts to follow the protocol for suspension of driving privileges.

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Response to Grand Jury Report Form

Report Title: Mandatory Detention Facilities Inspections

Report Date: 5/30/12

Response by: Robert Clark Title: City Manager

FINDINGS

- I (we) agree with the findings numbered: all findings
- I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the findings numbered: _____
(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the findings that are disputed; include an explanation of the reasons therefor.)

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendations numbered _____ have been implemented.
(Attach a summary describing the implemented actions.)
- Recommendations numbered _____ have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
(Attach a timeframe for the implementation.)
- Recommendations numbered _____ require further analysis.
(Attach an explanation and the scope and parameters of an analysis or study, and a timeframe for the matter to be prepared for discussion by the officer or director of the agency or department being investigated or reviewed, including the governing body of the public agency when applicable. This timeframe shall not exceed six months from the date of publication of the grand jury report.)
- Recommendations numbered all recommendations will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable.
(Attach an explanation.) The recommendations do not apply to the City of Ojai.

Date: 6/29/12 Signed: [Signature]

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