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GRAND JURY

The Honorable Donald D. Coleman
President Judge, Superior Court of California
County of Ventura
800 S. Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Re: City of San Buenaventura – Public Access to Conflict of Interest Codes

Dear Judge Coleman:

The City of Ventura received the 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report “Public Access to Conflict of Interest Codes”. In accordance with Penal Code Section 933.05, we submit this response to the Grand Jury findings and recommendations.

The City Council appreciates and welcomes the efforts of the Grand Jury’s review of countywide review of public access to conflict of interest codes.

The Grand Jury requires a response to findings FI-01 and recommendations R-02.

Findings

FI-01: *The Grand Jury found that Conflict of Interest Codes for Ventura County and its 10 cities are not easily accessible to the public.*

Response to FI-01: *Agree.* Locating the Conflict of Interest Codes could be easier on the eleven different websites of agencies within the County. The City of Ventura is currently in the process of updating our website to make it more user friendly. This will include an enhanced search feature making it easier to find documents such as the conflict of interest code.

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Recommendations

R-02: *The Grand Jury recommends that each city council of the 10 cities within Ventura County establish a direct link on its city homepage for public online access to its Conflict of Interest Code.*

Response to R-02: *Agree.* In response to the report, a direct link has now been added on the City Clerk's Office Departmental page. In addition, the City is currently in the process of updating our website to make it even more user friendly. The new website will be completed by the end of 2016.

On August 1, 2016 the Ventura City Council approved this Grand Jury report response and authorized the mayor to make this reply. We appreciate the Grand Jury's efforts in looking into this important matter.

Sincerely,



Erik Nasarenko
Mayor