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Ventura County
Grand Jury

March 6, 2017

Pamela Riss, Foreperson
2016-17 Ventura County Grand Jury
County of Ventura
800 S. Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

Re: City of Port Hueneme - Campaign Contributions Transparency

Dear Ms. Riss:

The City of Port Hueneme received the 2016-2017 Grand Jury Report "Campaign Contributions Transparency". 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 analysis of public access to campaign contribution reports.

The Grand Jury requires a response to conclusion C-04 and recommendation R-02.

Conclusions

C-04: *If the format of online information was consistent, the citizens of the County would be able to easily compare records of- monetary contributions made to candidates for public office. The City of Simi Valley has the most user friendly format regarding contributions online.*

Response to C-04: Disagree Partially. If online information was consistent, the Citizens of the County would be able to easily compare monetary contributions made to candidates for public office; however reports provided online are in redacted form therefore are not providing full disclosure to the public.

Recommendations

R-02: *The Grand Jury recommends that all cities within the County direct staff to establish a direct link on their website homepage for public online access to records of all monetary contributions made to their candidates for public office.*

Response to R-02: The City will be updating the City Clerk webpage to include links to the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC website) and providing additional information explaining the procedures to obtain complete copies of candidate monetary contribution reports. The website updates will be completed by May 2017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Figg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "T" and "F".

Tom Figg,
Mayor



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Response to Grand Jury Report Form

Report Title: Campaign Contributions Transparency

Report Date: December 1, 2016

Response by: Tom Figg Title: Mayor

FINDINGS / CONCLUSIONS

- I (we) agree with the findings / conclusions numbered: _____
- I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the findings numbered: C-04
(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 and date completed.)
- Recommendations number _____ have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
(Attach a time frame for the implementation.)
- Recommendations numbered R-02 require further analysis .
- Recommendations numbered _____ will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable.

Date: 3/6/2017

Signed: Tom Figg

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