June 29, 2015

The Honorable Glenda Sanders  
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
700 Civic Center Drive West  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Re: City of Orange Response to Grand Jury Report: “The Orange County Animal Shelter: the Facility, the Function, the Future.”

Dear Judge Sanders:

The following is the City of Orange’s response to the findings and recommendations contained in the Grand Jury’s Report, “The Orange County Animal Shelter: the Facility, the Function, the Future.” The City of Orange was only asked to respond to Recommendations R4.

**Recommendations**

R4: The 18 contracting cities need to review their long-term commitment to be part of Orange County Animal Care as opposed to pursuing animal-care opportunities on their own, or joining with neighboring cities that have shelters. The contracting cities need to demand that the County provide them a viable plan with cost and schedule estimates for a new facility or facilities to evaluate as part of their commitment review.

**Response:** The recommendation requires further analysis to determine the benefits of a countywide animal shelter/animal control or smaller animal shelters and animal control enforcement on a more localized level.

Thank you for your service and efforts on behalf of the City of Orange. We hope this response will be helpful.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Teresa E. Smith  
Mayor, City of Orange

cc: The Orange County Grand Jury  
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