June 29, 2012

Thomas J. Borris, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Re: The Dissolution of Redevelopment in Orange County

Dear Judge Thomas J. Borris:

We are providing this response at the request of the Orange County Grand Jury and in the format prescribed in the Grand Jury Report, "The Dissolution of Redevelopment: Where Have We Been? What Lies Ahead?"

In response to finding F1, the respondent agrees with the finding.

In response to finding F2, the respondent agrees with the finding.

In response to finding F3, the respondent agrees with the finding.

In response to recommendation R1, the recommendation has been implemented. The City's budget for administrative expenses for FY 2011-12 was $250,000, or approximately 3.5% of tax-increment.

In response to recommendation R2, the recommendation has been implemented. The only items listed on the ROPS are those considered to be enforceable obligations as defined by ABX1 26. Furthermore, the former RDA has no unspent bond proceeds and will not be entering into new enforceable obligations that would have been created by such proceeds.

In response to recommendation R4, the recommendation will not be implemented because it is not warranted. At the time of the passing of ABX1 26 and the dissolution of the RDA, there was no debt owed to the City by the RDA.
In response to recommendation R5, the recommendation has been implemented. The Successor Agency and Oversight Board have reviewed all items reported on the ROPS and have concluded that the Enforceable Obligation reported on the ROPS is appropriate in accordance with ABX1 26.

Respectfully,

Frank Ury
Mayor

cc: Orange County Grand Jury