

June 24, 2007

Honorable Judge Rodney S. Melville
Santa Barbara Superior Court
312-M East Cook Street
Santa Maria, CA 93455

Santa Barbara County Grand Jury
Attention: Foreperson
1100 Anacapa Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Honorable Judge Melville and Grand Jury Foreperson:

The City Council, at their regular meeting held July 23, 2007, reviewed the 2006-2007 County Civil Grand Jury report entitled "Detention Facilities Inspections" specifically as it relates to the City of Carpinteria and approved the following responses to each of the specific findings and recommendations of the Report:

Finding 1: In all inspections of detention facilities throughout Santa Barbara County, none were found to be sub-standard with respect to regulations.

Response: *The City of Carpinteria agrees with the finding as it pertains to detention facilities located at 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria City Hall.*

Finding 2: *Inspections revealed no major flaws or shortfalls in staff performance.*

Response: *The City of Carpinteria agrees with the finding as it pertains to detention facilities located at 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria City Hall.*

Finding 3: *Staff have used initiative and ingenuity to achieve positive results during periods of reduced resources.*

Response: *The City of Carpinteria agrees with the finding as it pertains to detention facilities located at 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria City Hall.*

City staff is recommending this response to the Findings of the Grand Jury because it believes that, pursuant to the City's Contract with the County for law enforcement services and the lease agreement for office space, the facility at City Hall is maintained and operated by the Sheriff's Department in compliance with all standards and regulations pertaining to detention facilities.

Recommendation: Supervisory staff should continue to encourage personnel to use initiative to have a positive impact on the work environment.

Response: The City of Carpinteria, through its contract with the County for law enforcement services, will continue to encourage this objective to be met along with other good personnel management practices; however, it must be noted that the City of Carpinteria is not directly responsible for supervision of any County law enforcement personnel, including those responsible for detention facilities.

The City of Carpinteria thanks the Grand Jury for its work.

Should you need any additional information please contact me at (805) 684-5405 extension 400.

Sincerely,

Dave Durflinger
City Manager