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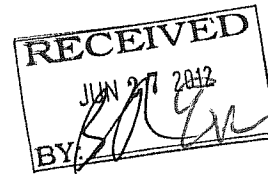
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Tuesday, June 19, 2012

PRESENT: Supervisors Frank Mecham, Bruce S. Gibson, Adam Hill, Paul Teixeira and Chairperson James R. Patterson

ABSENT: None



Department: Administrative Office

Item 7 - Request to approve the Probation Department's recommended responses to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."

The Board approves as recommended by the County Administrative Officer.

Motion by: Bruce S. Gibson

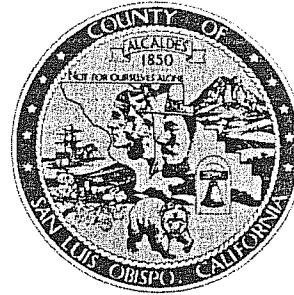
Second by: Adam Hill

SUPERVISORS	AYES	NOES	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Patterson, James R. (Chairperson)	x			
Teixeira, Paul (Vice Chairperson)	x			
Mecham, Frank R. (Board Member)	x			
Gibson, Bruce S. (Board Member)	x			
Hill, Adam (Board Member)	x			

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Administrative Office	(2) MEETING DATE 6/19/2012	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Geoff O'Quest, 805-781-5011	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve recommended responses to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that you Board: (1) Approve recommended responses from the Probation Department to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report" and (2) Forward the approved response from the Probation Department to the Presiding Judge and the Grand Jury by July 16, 2012.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? No
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT ☒ Consent ☐ Presentation ☐ Hearing (Time Est. _____) ☐ Board Business (Time Est. _____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS ☐ Resolutions ☐ Contracts ☐ Ordinances ☒ N/A		(12) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A ☐ 4/5th's Vote Required ☒ N/A	
(13) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(14) W-9 ☒ No ☐ Yes	
(15) LOCATION MAP N/A	(16) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(17) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY ☒ N/A Date: _____	
(18) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW This item was created by the Admin Office.			
(19) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -			

County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Administrative Office / Geoff O'Quest, 805-781-5011

DATE: 6/19/2012

SUBJECT: Request to approve recommended responses to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that you Board:

- (1) Approve recommended responses from the Probation Department to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report" and
- (2) Forward the approved response from the Probation Department to the Presiding Judge and the Grand Jury by July 16, 2012.

DISCUSSION

On May 17, 2012, the Grand Jury issued a report on "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report." This report presents the 2011-2012 San Luis Obispo County Grand Jury's inquiry into the conditions and management of the San Luis Obispo County Jail, San Luis Obispo County Juvenile Hall, and city and county temporary holding facilities. State law (PC 19(b)) mandates the "The Grand Jury shall inquire into the condition and management of the public prisons within the county." Authorization extends to interviewing inmates and reviewing inmates' grievances. The 2011-12 report contains nine findings and three recommendations.

In addition to its findings and recommendations, the report commends the high degree of professionalism of management and Correctional Officers at the Jail and at the Juvenile Hall, including the prompt response of management to follow-up questions posed by the Grand Jury and their prompt efforts to correct noted problems. The Grand Jury commends the Jail kitchen management and staff for producing quality meals at low cost.

The report requires the responses to Findings and Recommendations as identified below:

Finding #6. Juveniles and Juvenile Hall management agree that certain identifiable unsanitary conditions are in need of correction.

Recommendation #2. Juvenile Hall management should take preventive and maintenance measures to address sanitation issues.

This report includes the following attachments:

Attachment 1. Probation's response to the Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."

Attachment 2. The Grand Jury's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."

Responses from the Probation Department are due to the Presiding Judge by July 16, 201. No response is required from the Board of Supervisors. The County Administrative Office procedures include coordinating the departmental responses to Grand Jury reports and preparing recommended responses on behalf of the Board of supervisors. The departmental responses to this Grand Jury report are attached and where appropriate, incorporated as the Board's response.

OTHER DEPARTMENT INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The Grand Jury inspected the County Jail, Juvenile Hall, the County Courthouse holding facility, and all seven city police departments within San Luis Obispo County. The County Administrative Office reviewed the responses to the Grand Jury report prepared by the Probation Department in the development of the recommended Board response to this report.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial considerations associated with this item.

RESULTS

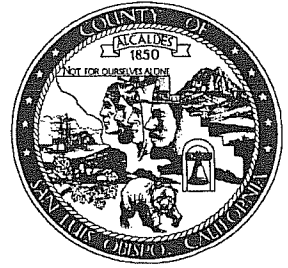
This response will meet the legal requirements and time frames for responding to a Grand Jury report with findings and recommendations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Probation's response to the GJ's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."
2. GJ's 2011-12 report "The County Jail, Juvenile Hall, and Holding Cells: Inspection and Information Report."

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"Protection, Service & Accountability"



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James E. Salio
Chief Probation Officer

TO: Geoff O'Quest, Administrative Analyst

FROM: Jim Salio, Chief Probation Officer *JS*

SUBJECT: Response to 2011/2012 Grand Jury Report

DATE: May 24, 2012

The 2011-2012 Grand Jury report on the County Jail, Juvenile Hall and Holding Cells requested a response by the Probation Department to Finding number six "Juveniles and Juvenile Hall management agree that certain identifiable unsanitary conditions are in need of correction," and to Recommendation number two "Juvenile Hall management should take preventive and maintenance measures to address sanitation issues."

The Probation Department disagrees partially with finding number six.

The sanitation issues mentioned in the report relate to the presence of mice and ants within the Juvenile Hall. The Probation Department does not dispute that there have been mice and ants in the Juvenile Hall, but disagree that the presence of these pests are caused by unsanitary conditions within the Juvenile Hall. The presence of mice and ants are the result of the Juvenile Hall's location in a fielded area and the climate and habitat changes that have resulted in mice and ants entering the facility in search of food and water.

In regards to the concern raised in the report that minors are eating in their rooms due to staffing shortages, the Juvenile Hall does not have a shortage of staff. Minors eat in their rooms because the amount of time required to set up the living units for meals was impeding on the school hours and program time required by law. Also, it is important to note that mice were observed in common areas and in and around the large trash bins outside of the facility. There have been no reports of mice in individual sleeping rooms.

The Probation Department has dealt with ants in the facility off and on since the Juvenile Hall was opened in the 1980s. Since 2002, the Probation Department has followed the adopted County Integrated Pest Management Program.

The Probation Department believes it is important to have a sanitary Juvenile Hall. The cleaning of the Juvenile Hall is done on a daily basis by the minors who reside there. The Juvenile Hall has passed all

bi-annual inspections by the State of California and the cleanliness of the Juvenile Hall has never been called into question by the State.

The Probation Department has implemented recommendation number 2.

Prior to the Grand Jury's inspection, the presence of mice was addressed with the placement of paper traps, which is consistent with the County's Integrated Pest Management Program. However, following the inspection, General Services allowed for a higher level of intervention and has contracted with a private pest management service. This service involves the placement of industrial grade traps to be placed around the perimeter of the facility. As a result, the mice issue appears to have been resolved and facility management has had no additional reports of mice.

The most effective way of responding to ants has been to keep surfaces clean and clear of food. Sleeping rooms are mopped at least twice per week and swept daily. Unit floors are vacuumed daily. Carpets are shampooed three times per year. Trash is emptied daily and the kitchen surfaces are cleaned each night. A soapy water spray is also used to combat ants.