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AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL

March 16, 2021

Chairman Robert L. Poythress

DEPARTMENT County Administration/Risk Management & Legal Services Division		DEPARTMENT CONTACT Yvette Gomez 559-675-7703		AGENDA ITEM 5.K Consent Calendar	
SUBJECT: Response to Grand Jury Report		REQUIRED VOTE: 3/5 Votes Required	DOC. ID NUMBER 7151	DATE REC'D 11/20/2019	
STRATEGIC FOCUS AREA(S): Focus Area Not Defined (Explain)					
<u>For Clerk of the Board's Office Use Only</u>					
BOARD'S ACTION:					
RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Tom Wheeler, Chairman Pro Tem SECONDER: Brett Frazier, Supervisor - District No. 1 AYES: Frazier, Rogers, Poythress, Gonzalez, Wheeler					
Is this item Budgeted? No Will this item require additional personnel? No Previous Relevant Board Actions: PowerPoint/Supporting Documents: Other/Misc.				DOCUMENT NO(S).	

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

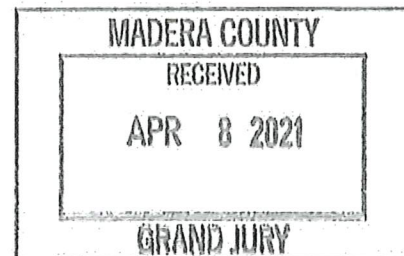
Consideration of approval of the response to the 2019-2020 Grand Jury Report entitled "City of Madera Police Department: Unveiling Truths of Law Enforcement".

DISCUSSION / FISCAL IMPACT / STRATEGIC FOCUS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

1. Grand Jury Response 2019-2020 - City of Madera Police Department
2. Grand Jury Report - City of Madera Police Department 12-21-2020





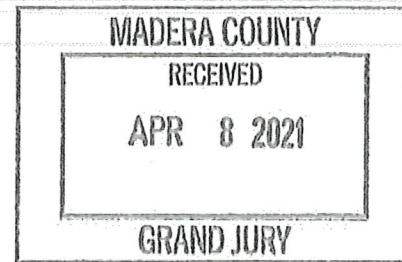
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March 21, 2021

The Honorable Michael Jurkovich
Supervising Judge of the Grand Jury
Madera County Superior Court
200 S. G Street
Madera, CA 93637



Subject: Response to the 2019-20 Grand Jury Report entitled "City of Madera Police Department: Unveiling Truths of Law Enforcement"

Honorable Judge Jurkovich:

Pursuant to the California Penal Code 933.05, the Madera County Board of Supervisors submits this response to the findings and recommendations in the 2019-20 Madera County Grand Jury report entitled "City of Madera Police Department: Unveiling Truths of Law Enforcement" See Attachment #1.

The following are the Board of Supervisors' responses to the Grand Jury's finding and recommendation No. 3:

Finding 3:

The MCGJ finds that Madera County is not effectively handling the individuals Madera Police Department identifies as having a mental health crisis (5150)

Response

Respondent disagrees with the finding per California Penal Code 933.05 (a) (2). Under separate cover, the Acting Director of Behavioral Health Services has responded to this finding and stated:

"BHS has a long history of working as a collaborative community partner with Madera Police Department and other local Law Enforcement. Madera County has a Community Wide Collaborative that includes BHS, all local law enforcement, both local hospitals, Madera County Department of Corrections, and other community stakeholders. This collaborative has developed the Madera County 5150 Response Protocol. The 5150-response protocol was updated in 2019 and outlines all stakeholders agreed upon roles in addressing our community members in crisis."

The response of the Acting Director of Behavioral Health Services to the above finding is considered appropriate and is submitted as the Board of Supervisors' response.



Recommendation 3:

The MCGJ recommends that the Madera Police Department immediately work with the Madera County Board of Supervisors to provide adequate mental health services.

Response

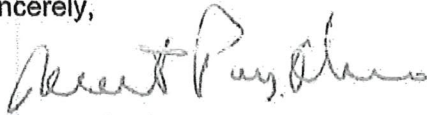
The recommendation has been implemented. Under separate cover, the Acting Director of Behavioral Health Services has responded to this finding and stated:

"Madera County has a Community Wide Collaborative that includes BHS, all local law enforcement, both local hospitals, Madera County Department of Corrections, and other community stakeholders. This collaborative has developed the Madera County 5150 Response Protocol. The 5150-response protocol was updated in 2019 and outlines all stakeholders agreed upon roles in addressing our community members in crisis. The collaborative meets quarterly to address any issues or breakdowns within the system of crisis care. BHS is currently in collaboration with Madera County Administration, Madera Police Department, Madera Sheriff's Department, and the Department of Corrections are working to apply for a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) grant that would provide law enforcement partners with additional training on mental health issues that qualify as POST training, will enhance knowledge, and reduce training costs. BHS in collaboration with Madera Police Department and Madera Sheriff's Department were able to establish a mobile crisis response team in 2017 that is still in effect."

The response of the Acting Director of Behavioral Health Services to the above finding is considered appropriate and is submitted as the Board of Supervisors' response.

The Board acknowledges the Grand Jury's review and time involved in this matter and appreciates the opportunity to respond to the findings and recommendations.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Poythress
Chairman of the Board of Supervisors