COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 8/25/2020

File #: 20-1048

To: Board of Supervisors

From: County Administrative Office

Agenda Section: Departmental

SUBJECT:
Responses to 2019-20 Grand Jury Reports

RECOMMENDATION(S):
That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Review and modify as necessary the proposed Grand Jury responses from the Board of Supervisors (Attachments 2, 4, 9 and 12);
2. Review and modify as necessary the proposed Grand Jury responses from the Department of Health and Human Services, Planning & Building, Human Resources, and Probation Departments (Attachments 5, 6, 8, 10 and 13);
3. Approve the documents, as may be modified, as the response;
4. Receive reports, as a courtesy, from the Sheriff and Treasurer-Tax Collector (Attachments 7 and 15);
5. Direct the Clerk of the Board, within 5 working days, to submit the final response with an accompanying Board Order to the 2019-20 Grand Jury and the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court;
6. Direct the Clerk of the Board, within 5 working days, to submit a copy of all responses to the County Clerk/Recorder, together with a copy of the original report; and
7. Direct the Clerk of the Board, within 5 working days, to submit two copies of all responses to the Clerk of the Court, one of which will be forwarded to the State Archivist, together with a copy of the original report.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:
General Fund

DISCUSSION:
The Grand Jury investigates and reports on the operations, accounts, and records of the officers, departments, or functions of the county. The county thanks the Grand Jury for its hard work and efforts that they have put forth in their 2019-20 Grand Jury reports.

The Grand Jury has submitted seven reports to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court, of which five required a response either from your Board or a department over which your Board is the governing body. Each department head or agency mentioned in the report is required to respond. The reports and responding agencies are as follows:

- "Citizen Complaint Procedures" (Attachment 1). The Grand Jury has requested responses from the Board of Supervisors.

- "Custody Facilities Report" (Attachment 3). The Grand Jury has requested a response from the Board of Supervisors, Human Resources, the Probation Department and the Sheriff.

- "Hess Report" (Attachment 9). The Grand Jury has requested responses from the Board of Supervisors and the Director of the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

- "A Growing Concern" (Attachment 12). The Grand Jury has requested responses from the Board of Supervisors, the Planning & Building Department, Treasurer-Tax Collector and the Auditor-Controller.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
There is no financial impact related to providing a response. Some individual responses may require expenditures.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:
This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by fostering transparent, accessible, welcoming and user friendly services .

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:
Those referenced in the Grand Jury reports.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:
The Board may elect to modify any response pertaining to matters under its control.

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Citizen Complaint Procedures Report
2. Citizen Complaint Procedures Report - Board of Supervisors response
3. Custody Facilities Report
4. Custody Facilities Report - Board of Supervisors Response
5. Custody Facilities Report - Human Resources Response
6. Custody Facilities Report - Probation Response
7. Custody Facilities Report - Sheriff Response
8. Custody Facilities Report - DHHS Response
9. Hess Report
10. Hess Report - Board of Supervisors Response

11. Hess Report - DHHS Response
12. A Growing Concern Report
13. A Growing Concern Report - Board of Supervisors Response
14. A Growing Concern Report - Planning & Building Response
15. A Growing Concern Report - Treasurer-Tax Collector Response

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A
Meeting of: N/A
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