



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 10/6/2020

File #: 20-1252

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 (Attachment 2);
2. Approve the repaired files as official responses from the Human Resources, and Probation Departments (Attachments 4 and 5);
3. Approve the documents, as may be modified, as the response;
4. Receive report from the District Attorney (Attachment 3);
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. Your Board approved responses for four of those reports on Aug. 25, 2020. The remaining report is as follows:

- “A Community Divided” (Attachment 1). The Grand Jury has requested responses from the Board of Supervisors and the District Attorney.

Due to a technical error with the agenda software, the responses from the Human Resources and Probation Departments for the Aug. 25, 2020 Grand Jury report did not include the first page on the county’s website. The attached responses are the full responses from Human Resources and Probation.

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. A Community Divided Report
2. A Community Report - Board of Supervisors response
3. A Community Divided Report - District Attorney response
4. Repaired file - Custody Facilities Report - HR response
5. Repaired file - Custody Facilities Report - Probation response

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: H-1
Meeting of: Aug. 25, 2020
File No.: 20-1048