



CITY OF COSTA MESA

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

September 6, 2022

The Honorable Erick L. Larsh
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
Orange County Grand Jury
700 Civic Center Dr. W.
Santa Ana, California 92701

Subject: Request for Extension for the City of Costa Mesa to Respond to OC Grand Jury Report "Where's the Fire? Stop Sending Fire Trucks To Medical Calls"

Dear Judge Larsh:


The City of Costa Mesa is respectfully responding to Foreperson Siragusa's letter of August 1, 2022, to City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison requesting that the Costa Mesa City Council and the Costa Mesa Fire and Rescue Department (CMFR) revise their request for an extension to respond to the Grand Jury report entitled "Where's The Fire? Stop Sending Fire Trucks to Medical Calls" (Report) to November 18, 2022. Pursuant to that Mr. Siragusa's letter, the City Council and CMFR (collectively, the City) hereby revises its request to include "an explanation of the scope and parameters of (the) analysis" pursuant to Penal Code Section 933.05(b)(3) that the City will undertake.

The scope and parameters of the analysis and study that the City will undertake in the response to each of the applicable recommendations in the Report includes the following:


- A thorough historical review and background that will tie directly into the response as it pertains to the City
- A substantive assessment of the recommendations and thorough response, including related clarifications, as it pertains to the City
- A narrative answer on the direct experiences and/or perspectives for each recommendation, as it pertains to the City
- An evaluation of the fiscal impact(s) of the relevant recommendations on the City as well as the impact on the hours, wages and working conditions of CMFR

In addition, please be advised that City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison has been on medical leave since mid-July, with an anticipated return of mid-to late September. In the interim, I am acting as City Manager until that time. Thank you for your consideration of the City's request for an extension. Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can provide any further information.

Respectfully,



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Acting City Manager



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Acting Fire Chief

Cc: Kimberly Hall Barlow, City Attorney
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