

## **CITY OF GARDEN GROVE**

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Honorable Glenda Sanders, Presiding Judge Orange County Superior Court 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

RE: Response to Orange County Grand Jury Report, *The Orange County Animal Shelter: the Facility, the Function, the Future* 

Dear Judge Sanders:

I have reviewed the Orange County Grand Jury Report, *The Orange County Animal Shelter: the Facility, the Function, the Future.* On behalf of the City of Garden Grove, I am providing a response to Recommendation R-4, as requested by the Grand Jury.

## Response to Recommendation

**R-4:** The 18 contracting cities need to review their long-term commitment to be part of the Orange County Animal Care as opposed to pursuing animal-care opportunities on their own or joining with neighboring cities that have shelters. The contracting cities need to demand that the County provide them a viable plan with cost and schedule estimates for a new facility or facilities to evaluate as part of their commitment review. **(F-4)** 

The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented during FY 2015-16. The City of Garden Grove will request from Orange County Animal Care a plan with cost and schedule estimates for a new facility. As part of this effort, the City of Garden Grove will work with the current Financial Oversight and Advisory Board to Orange County Animal Care through the Orange County City Manager Association to review the plan and cost estimate, review alternative regional models, and assess the most effective and efficient animal shelter operations for the future. This review will also include an analysis of alternative animal care opportunities that may be available to the City.

Sincerely,

Bao Nguyen

Mayor

C: Orange County Grand Jury