

Office of the City Council



November 18, 2015

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

**Re: Response to the 2014-2015 Grand Jury Report: The Orange County Animal Shelter:
The Facility, The Function, The Future**

Dear Judge Sanders:

The following response is provided by the City of Tustin ("City") to the 2014-2015 Grand Jury Report entitled "The Orange County Animal Shelter: The Facility, The Function, The Future" (referred to herein as the "Report").

Pursuant to California Penal Code Section 933.05, the City responds that it agrees with recommendation R4 based upon the following reasons:

Recommendation #4. The 18 contracting cities need to review their long-term commitment to be part of 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 schedule estimates for a new facility or facilities to evaluate as part of their commitment review.

In order for the City of Tustin to fully evaluate and determine how the City's long-term animal care needs will be met, including the potential for a long-term commitment with Orange County Animal Care, the County needs to provide a viable plan for new facility/facilities throughout the County.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Grand Jury's Report. If you have any questions regarding our response, please contact Jeffrey C. Parker, City Manager, at (714) 573-3012 or Matthew S. West, Assistant to the City Manager, at (714) 573-3116.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Puckett". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Charles E. "Chuck" Puckett
Mayor

c: **Orange County Grand Jury**
Jeffrey C. Parker, City Manager
Matthew S. West, Assistant to the City Manager
David E. Kendig, City Attorney