

City of Anaheim

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

July 27, 2016

Honorable Charles Margines Presiding Judge of the Superior Court 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Subject: 2016 Orange County Grand Jury Report, "Light Rail: Is Orange County on the Right Track?"

Dear Judge Margines:

As the City Manager of the City of Anaheim (City), I am pleased to respond on behalf of the City to the 2016 Orange County Grand Jury Report, "Light Rail: Is Orange County on the Right Track?" The responses contained in this letter have been approved by the Anaheim City Council. The City's responses address the Orange County Grand Jury Report's findings and recommendations relevant to our City in accordance with the California Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05.

Finding

F. 5 – The long project times associated with light rail system establishment require not only careful planning and coordination by OCTA, but also consistent efforts to inform the public by those Orange County cities involved in development or possible development of light rail projects.

Response: The City of Anaheim agrees with this finding. Large capital projects take careful coordination between involved agencies and can take years to complete. Consistent public outreach efforts are a critical component in keeping the public informed.

Recommendation

R.7 – Anaheim should maintain its link on the City's website that shows efforts to successfully complete the ARC project and then update that Website every three months. (F.5)

Response: This recommendation has been implemented. The City maintains a website (http://aconnext.com/) which includes information on transportation projects, including the ARC Project. This website was recently updated to include material presented at the March 17, 2016 ARC Community Meeting. City staff will review this website at least every three months and post project updates as information is available.

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The City of Anaheim would like to express its appreciation for the efforts of the Orange County Grand Jury. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Rudy Emami, City Engineer, at (714) 765-4530 or REmami@anaheim.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Emery City Manager

cc: Orange County Grand Jury City Clerk, City of Anaheim