

August 29, 2019

Honorable Kirk H. Nakamura  
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court  
700 Civic Center Drive West  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Re: City of Irvine Response to 2018-19 Orange County Grand Jury Report Entitled  
"Home At Last: Honoring Our Veterans With A Veterans Cemetery In  
Orange County"

Dear Honorable Nakamura:

The 2018-2019 Orange County Grand Jury released its report entitled "Home At Last: Honoring Our Veterans With A Veterans Cemetery in Orange County" ("Report") on June 25, 2019. One of the key issues discussed in the Report is the need to identify a fixed location for the Veterans Cemetery. Advancing that goal, on July 24, 2019 the Irvine City Council took action to identify the "Golf Course Site" (generally discussed on Page 7 of the Report) as the City's selected location for the Cemetery.

On August 14, 2019 Assemblymember Sharon Quirk-Silva announced that she would pursue amendments to Assembly Bill 368, so that it also identifies the Golf Course Site as the location for the Veterans Cemetery. We are informed that those amendments will be considered by the State Legislature in the coming weeks. Knowing the outcome of the State's action on Assembly Bill 368 will result in a more complete response to the Report.

With that in mind, the City intends to consider the response to the Report at its meeting of September 24, 2019, and to deliver the response to the Grand Jury on September 25, 2019. We understand that is two (2) days after the assigned September 23, 2019 deadline for the response to the Report, but believe there is good cause to wait an additional two days.

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If you have concerns or objections to the City proceeding in this manner – *i.e.*, responding to the Report on September 25, 2019 – please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,

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