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RE: Response to 2022/2023 Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations

Dear Judge Berrier:

This letter, provided pursuant to California Penal Code Section 933, in the Yuba County Sheriff's Department's response to the 2022/2023 Grand Jury Final Report- Findings and Recommendations concerning the investigation into the Yuba County Jail and the Yuba County Animal Care Services operations. Both entities fall under the control of the Yuba County Sheriff's Department.

We would like to express our thanks and sincere gratitude to the 2022/2023 Yuba County Grand Jury for their dedication and commitment to the County of Yuba. Please accept the following response to the Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations:

Yuba County Jail

FINDINGS:

Finding #1: The Yuba County Grand Jury commends the County Jail staff for functioning as a highly responsive team to operate a well-manage facility

Response to finding #1: I appreciate and concur with this finding. The staff that work in the jail facility are hard-working and dedicated and provide a high level of care for those that are placed in their custody.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommendation #1: It is recommended that County Jail staff continue to provide a high level of service to the citizens of Yuba County.

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS:

Thank you for your service to our community. The recommendations of the 2022/2023 Grand Jury are testament to the hard work done by the Jail line staff, supervisors and

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administration. We will continue to strive to provide the best level of service possible to those in our custody. With continued training and hard work, our goal is to continue to provide a safe environment for all under our care and to work with our community, to provide avenues for education, treatment and counseling to everyone incarcerated in our facility.

Yuba County Animal Care Services

FINDINGS

Finding#1: Entrance to the facility crosses over a substantial railroad berm that can cause a vehicle to become high-centered or damaged.

Response to finding #1: The tracks in question have been abandoned by the owning railroad and a plan to mitigate the berm has been prepared.

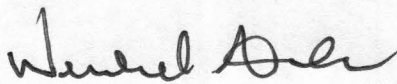
Recommendation #1: A more gradual incline should be made to ease access over the track. A work order should be filed with the county within 30 of receipt of this report.

Response to recommendation#1: A work order has been submitted to Yuba County Administrative Services and the plan is to raise the interior driveway to the property to match the height of the berm.

CONCLUSION:

I wish to thank the 2022/2023 Grand Jury for their dedication, devotion and commitment to our community. We find value in the inspection process, insight and the recognition to the men and women working in the Yuba County Jail. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. You can reach me via telephone at 530 749-7779 or via electronic mail at wanderson@co.yuba.ca.us.

Sincerely,



Wendell Anderson
Sheriff-Coroner

cc: Yuba County Board of Supervisors
Yuba County Counsel



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RE: 2022-23 YUBA COUNTY GRAND JURY REPORT
MJUSD Board of Trustees and Superintendent Dr. Fal Asrani: Response to
"Keeping Our Students Safe" Yuba Gardens Intermediate School

Jennifer Passaglia
*Assistant Superintendent
Business Services*

Dear Judge Berrier and Mr. Viviano,

Jay Trujillo
*Assistant Superintendent
Educational Services*

This letter constitutes the response of Marysville Joint Unified School District to the findings and recommendation of the 2022-23 Yuba County Grand Jury Report concerning "Keeping Our Students Safe" Yuba Gardens Intermediate School.

Gabe Simon, Ed.D.
*Assistant Superintendent
Personnel Services*

The Grand Jury's Findings and Recommendations are listed below, with the District's response.

Finding 1:

Unsecured and unsupervised gates are a security and safety issue.

Recommendation 1:

It is recommended that:

- Current gate security procedures be enforced.
- Formal gate security policy and procedures be established.
- Gates are supervised while students enter or exit the campus.
- The delivery gate gets re-locked after deliveries.



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- Spring assisted gates are properly closed after entry is made.

Response:

Yuba Gardens Intermediate School takes student health and safety seriously. Safety procedures, including gate security, are discussed and clearly communicated to all staff members at the beginning and throughout the school year. Two access points for students entering or exiting campus at the start and end of each school day are supervised by two teachers. Administration at Yuba Gardens ensures coverage in the event a person is absent.

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Included in Yuba Gardens' safety protocols is the re-locking of the delivery gate after usage. An upcoming facilities project for the campus includes a separate shipping/receiving area that will include a separate gate and discontinue the current process. Architects for this project were approved at the July 18, 2023 board meeting.

Replacing the spring-assisted gates with automatic gate closers is included in the MJUSD Buildings and Grounds list of priorities as they prepare the campus for the 2023-24 school year.

Thank you for your investment in Marysville Joint Unified School District and the opportunity to highlight the importance of student safety.

Sincerely,

Randy Davis
President
MJUSD Board of Trustees

Dr. Fal Asrani
Superintendent
Marysville Joint Unified School District



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September 12, 2023

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RE: Response of the Marysville City Council to the final report of the Yuba County Grand Jury ("YCGJ") 2022-2023 (pages 20-29)

Dear Judge Berrier,

Pursuant to California Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, the City Council ("Council") of the City of Marysville ("City") hereby submits its formal response to the 2022-2023 Grand Jury Final Report ("Report"). The City respects the important role of the and would like to express its sincere gratitude to the dedicated members of the 2022/2023 Yuba County Grand Jury. Please accept the following responses to the Grand Jury findings:

I) INTRODUCTION

The Council's primary responsibility is to act in the best interest of the citizens of Marysville. The Mayor, Council and City Manager have major commitments to residents of the community, business owners, City employees, the Federal Government and the State of California, developing, approving and implementing the fiscal budget and carrying out the Marysville Charter, its Municipal Code and related policies.

II) REQUIRED RESPONSES TO FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Finding F1: *City Assets are Unknown. The City's audit finding 2021-02 - Capital Asset Accounting – remains unresolved.*

City's Response: Disagree in Part

Most of the City's assets are known. The City has historically maintained a capital asset listing that is reviewed and updated yearly through the annual audit process, however a complete physical inventory of all assets had not been performed for several years. The City does a physical inventory of all vehicles annually for the purpose of renewing our insurance.

Finding F2: *The City has not developed a Capital Asset Policy; the City's audit finding of finding 2021-02 - Capital Asset Accounting – remains unresolved.*

City's Response: Agree

A draft Capital Asset Policy had already been created by the Finance Director. There is still additional research to be completed in regard to generally accepted capitalization thresholds and updated language on surplus property and disposals of assets.



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Recommendation R1: *The City of Marysville should complete an inventory of its capital assets by October of 2023.*

City's Response:

The City is continuing to develop a full inventory of all City Assets. A partial physical inventory was completed near the end of calendar year 2022 by all departments. This information is being evaluated during the current audit preparation and reassessed as to what items still need to be reviewed. The goal would be to finish the inventory process by the end of FY 2023-24. The City is also researching the items listed in the City's audit finding 2021-002 Not all pertinent information has been located to fully respond to the requested information by the auditors. Some information has been relayed to the auditors and will be addressed during the current audit being prepared for FY 2022-23 with continued research as staff time permits. City staff will continue to work with the auditors to close the audit findings.

Recommendation R2: *The City of Marysville should write and publish a Capital Assets Policy by February 2024*

City's Response:

The current timeline of the project is to have a finalized policy ready to be brought to City Council for approval and publication by the end of February 2024.

Findings and Recommendations 3-5

City's Response:

The City appreciates the Grand Jury's commendations and will continue its efforts toward the General Plan update, rebuilding and renovating of the City, and generally raising expectations for the Community of Marysville.

III) CONCLUSION:

The City appreciates the important role of the volunteers of the Yuba County Grand Jury. The City will continue to work to fully address the findings and recommendations provided by the Grand Jury and looks forward to working with its members in the upcoming Fiscal Year.

Jim Schaad



City Manager, City of Marysville



Date

cc: Mark Viviano, Yuba County Grand Jury 2022-2023 Foreperson