

October 19, 2016

Honorable Robert C. Fracchia Presiding Judge Superior Court of California, County of Solano Hall of Justice Department 25 Room 306 600 Union Avenue Fairfield, CA 94533

SUBJECT: Responses to 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report Entitled: <u>Solano County</u>
Local Law Enforcement Agencies Citizen's Complaint <u>Process</u>

Honorable Judge Fracchia:

The City of Vacaville Police Department was identified as one of the agencies in Solano County having to respond to two findings and recommendations in the above mentioned 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report. The City of Vacaville Police Department's responses to the two findings and recommendations are listed below.

<u>City of Vacaville Police Department (Findings 2 and 3) – Responses:</u>

FINDING 2

The cities of Dixon and Vallejo offer their complaint forms in a second language.

RESPONSE TO FINDING 2

The City of Vacaville Police Department disagrees with this finding and believes that this finding was in error since the City of Vacaville Police Department has already had a complaint form available in a second language (Spanish) for several years.

RECOMMENDATION 2

The Grand Jury recommends all cities offer their complaint forms in a second language.

Vacaville Police Department

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION 2

The City of Vacaville Police Department already offers complaint forms in both English and Spanish and this was implemented several years ago. In fact, the latest *revision* to the complaint form in Spanish was made in May of 2006.

FINDING 3

The Grand Jury found most of the departments did not make their complaint form(s) available online.

RESPONSE TO FINDING 3

The City of Vacaville Police Department agrees with the finding.

RECOMMENDATION 3

The Grand Jury recommends that complaints are readily available online.

RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION 3

While the City of Vacaville Police Department has not yet implemented this recommendation, it is anticipated that this recommendation will be implemented by December 1st, 2016. Complaint forms will be available online in both English and Spanish languages.

Respectfully,

John Carli

Chief of Police

City of Vacaville

cc:

Solano County Grand Jury

County Administrator's Office