

CITY COUNCIL

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

First and Third Tuesday
Every Month

CITY OF SUISUN CITY

701 Civic Center Blvd.
Suisun City, California 94585
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September 8, 2016

Darren M. Davenport, Foreperson
2015-2016 Solano County Grand Jury
Grand Jury
Hall of Justice
600 Union Ave
Fairfield, California 94533

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RE: 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report Entitled: Homelessness – Omnipresent and Invisible?

City of Suisun City response to findings and recommendations applicable to the City:

Finding No. 5

The City of Vallejo has established a citywide Participatory Budget Process to engage citizens to develop and recommend projects under the annual budget.

Recommendation No. 1

The Solano County Board of Supervisors and Mayors/City Managers in Solano County engage to develop and recommend priorities and projects through the adoption of a *Participatory Budget Process*.

Statement No. 5

The Mayor of the City of Suisun City recently publicly suggested that the Suisun City Council consider a *Participatory Budget Process*, similar to that which Vallejo uses. Numerous public hearings and outreach meetings currently occur, particularly in the past several years, to incorporate public input into the process. This new *Participatory Budget Process* will be discussed as the public education on Measure S 1% Sales Tax Measure is started.

Finding No. 7

All cities in Solano County need to understand the real cost of homelessness and how it impacts services, safety, loss of retail revenue, damage to the infrastructure in their cities, etc.

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City of Suisun City response to: 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report Entitled:

Homelessness – Omnipresent and Invisible?

Recommendation No. 7B

All cities in Solano County conduct a cost assessment analysis to supplement the county results to develop a true depiction of the costs associated with homelessness to the cities of Solano County.

Statement No. 7B

All of the cities in the Solano County are currently participating in that analysis.

Finding No. 9

The Grand Jury understands regional planning is a necessary and vital component to creating solutions to homelessness and has been informed that efforts are underway to develop a regional approach to homelessness issues.

Recommendation No. 9C

The Mayors of the seven cities in the county, serving in the capacity of the Solano City County Coordinating Council, establish homelessness as a priority item on their agenda and support the implementation of a regional plan as part of their responsibilities.

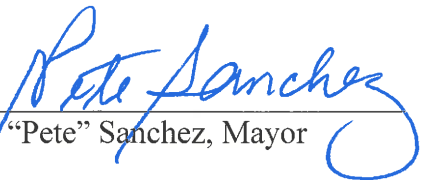
Statement No. 9C

The Mayor of Suisun City agrees with your recommendation.

Conclusion

The City of Suisun City appreciates the opportunity to respond to the Grand Jury's recommendations affecting the City regarding homelessness. It should be noted that the City is indirectly impacted by a number of recommendations involving the Community Action Partnership of Solano Joint Powers Authority (CAP Solano). The City understands that CAP Solano will be responding to all of the Grand Jury's recommendations that affect that organization, so the City has not responded to those recommendations. Similarly, the City has not responded to any recommendations addressed directly to Solano County.

Sincerely,



Pedro "Pete" Sanchez, Mayor



Suzanne Bragdon, City Manager