

**Board Report** 

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a. Consider approval of the response to the 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices" and
b. Authorize the County Administrative Officer to submit the approved response to the Judge of the Superior Court, County of Monterey, by August 24, 2021.

# **<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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- b) Authorize the County Administrative Officer to submit the approved response with the Judge of the Superior Court, County of Monterey, by August 24, 2021.

# SUMMARY:

The 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices" was issued in May 2021. By law, the Board of Supervisors are required to respond to specific findings and recommendations as directed therein. Within 90 days of report issuance, on or before August 24, 2021, the Board's response must be submitted to the Judge of the Superior Court, County of Monterey.

The County Administrative Office coordinated preparation of the recommended response to the 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices" on behalf of the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors approved response should be deemed by the Monterey County Civil Grand Jury and the Judge of the Superior Court, County of Monterey, as the response of the Board of Supervisors to those issues raised by the Grand Jury regarding County operations, except as applicable to elected County officials.

The recommended response is intended to reflect staffs' understanding of Board policy. Should the Board wish to modify the recommended response, the Board is requested to direct the County Administrative Officer to do so and return with those changes at the August 31, 2021 Board of Supervisors meeting.

# OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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The County Administrative Office coordinated preparation of the recommended response to the 2020 - 2021

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Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices" with the assistance, input and appropriate review by the following County departments: Contracts Purchasing and Finance.

Members of the 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury and the Judge were invited to attend the Board of Supervisors hearing on this matter.

FINANCING: There are no fiscal impacts to the General Fund with is commendation.

Prepared by:

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Date: August 12, 2021 Attachment:
1. 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices" and
2. Board of Supervisors Draft Response - 2020 - 2021 Monterey County Civil Grand Jury Report: "An Examination of Monterey County Contracting and Purchasing Practices"

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