

July 21, 2015

Sherry Rufini, Foreperson 2014-2015 Contra Costa County Grand Jury 725 Court Street P.O. Box 431 Martinez, CA 94553-0091

RE: City of Richmond's Response to Grand Jury Report No. 1510, "Community Courts"

Dear Foreperson Rufini:

In accordance with California Government Code Sections 933.5(a) and 933.5(b), please find below the response of the City of Richmond to the findings and recommendations of the 2014-2015 Contra Costa Grand Jury. The City's response is in italics directly below each finding or recommendation.

FINDINGS

1. The city does not have a Community Court program.

Response:

The City of Richmond agrees with this finding.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The city should consider establishing a Community Court.

Response:

The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but the City of Richmond is working to implement a Community Court model before the end of the 2015 calendar year.

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The Richmond City Council reviewed and approved this response at their meeting on July 21, 2015.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this very important issue. Please contact me at (510) 620-6512 or at bill_lindsay@ci.richmond.ca.us if you have any additional questions.

Respectfully,

William A. Lindsay

City Manager

cc: Tom Butt, Mayor

Bruce Reed Goodmiller, City Attorney

Chris Magnus, Police Chief