

FORM FOR RESPONSE TO CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT

Report Title: Police Firearm Security: Keeping Police Guns out of the Hands of Criminals

Report Date: April 21, 2016

Agenda Date: June 1, 2016

Response by: Fairfax Mayor and Town Council

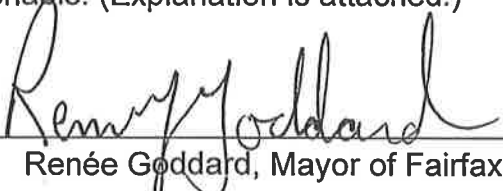
FINDINGS

- We agree with the findings numbered: F1 - F8
- We disagree *partially* with the findings numbered: N/A
- We disagree *wholly* with the findings number: N/A

(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the findings that are disputed; include an explanation of the reasons therefor.)

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Recommendation numbered R-1 has been implemented. (Summary describing the implemented actions is attached.)
- Recommendations numbered N/A have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
- Recommendations numbered N/A require further analysis.
- Recommendations numbered R-2, R-4, R-5 will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable. (Explanation is attached.)

Date: 6/2/16 Signed: 
Renée Goddard, Mayor of Fairfax

Attest: 
Town Clerk

Number of pages attached: 1



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June 6, 2016

The Honorable Kelly V. Simmons, Presiding Judge
Marin County Superior Court
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

John Mann, Foreperson
Marin County Grand Jury
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room 275
San Rafael, CA 94903

RE: Response to 2015-16 Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report

Dear Honorable Judge Simmons and Mr. Mann:

Enclosed please find the Town of Fairfax Response Form (and attachment) to the Marin County Civil Grand Jury Report entitled, "*Police Firearm Security: Keeping Police Guns out of the Hands of Criminals.*" The Town Council of the Town of Fairfax reviewed and approved this response at a duly noticed and agendaized public meeting on June 1, 2016.

Sincerely,

Michele Gardner
Town Clerk

Enclosure

2015-16 Civil Grand Jury Report
Police Firearm Security: Keeping Police Guns out of the Hands of Criminals

EXPLANATIONS OF RESPONSES TO RECOMMENDATIONS

R1. This has always been in existence. The Fairfax Police Department already has procedures in place should a firearm be stolen from a law enforcement or personal vehicle. The employee must report the theft, a report is filed, and the firearm is entered into the National "Automated Firearms System."

R2. This will not be implemented because it is not reasonable at this time. There is currently no system in place for public notification statewide, let alone in just Marin County, which has a very low rate of thefts. A public notification system, if created, should be done statewide or nationwide.

R4. The Marin County Sheriff and all Police Chiefs did discuss the issue of firearm security including storage, tracking and reporting of lost or stolen firearms. The consensus of the group was that a standard county policy was not warranted, and it was better left for each police agency to formulate or amend their own policies.

R5. The Fairfax Police Department policy strictly prohibits leaving a firearm in an unattended vehicle. Therefore, the need for a lock box to store the firearm is not necessary.