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January 25, 2017

The Honorable Steve R. Jones
Mayor of Garden Grove
11222 Acacia Parkway
Garden Grove, CA 92842

Dear Mayor Jones:

We are writing to request that you provide the 2016-2017 Orange County Grand Jury with a report on the progress you have made on certain recommendations in the 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report issued May 26, 2016 entitled:

Drones: Know Before You Fly

The Grand Jury received your response to the above Report and noted the following recommendations to which you agreed, or indicated that further study would be required, and assigned a timeframe for completion. We would appreciate an update as to progress to date on these items.

R.1. Each City Council should direct its City Attorney to provide a report to the city's police department and City Council on existing laws that can be applied to the use of recreational drones in the city's jurisdiction by December 30, 2016. (F.2., F.3., F.5., F.6.)

Response: The City of Garden Grove has not yet implemented this recommendation, but will implement it in the future, prior to December 30, 2016.

R.2. Each City should adopt a recreational drone ownership and operation ordinance, with regulations similar to those found in Los Angeles City ordinance #183912, by March 31, 2017, to the extent not preempted or superseded by Federal law or Federal Regulations. (F.1., F.2., F.3., F.5., F.6.)

Response: The City of Garden Grove has not yet implemented this recommendation, but will implement it in the future. A proposed ordinance will be presented to the Garden Grove City Council for consideration prior to March 31, 2017.

R.3. Each City should inform its citizens about laws and ordinances that apply to recreational drone operators through print media, city-related websites, social media sites and/or public forums by March 31, 2017. (F.4., F.6.)

Response: The City of Garden Grove has not yet implemented this recommendation, but will implement it in the future, prior to March 31, 2017.

R.4. Each City should establish and publish on its website a point of contact for drone-related citizen complaints by December 30, 2016. (F.7.)

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Response: The City of Garden Grove has not yet implemented this recommendation, but will implement it in the future, prior to December 30, 2016. The City's online citizen reporting form will be modified to accommodate this purpose.

R.5. Each City should post FAA drone ownership and operation educational links on city-related websites, newsletters, and flyers by December 30, 2016. (F.4.)

Response: The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future prior to December 30, 2016.

Your organization's response will be included in the official response record for this report. We look forward to working with you and your staff. Please feel free to contact me at (714) 834-3320 or grandjurysupport@occourts.org if you have any questions.

Respectfully,



Carrie L. Carmody, Ph.D.
Foreperson
2016-2017 Orange County Grand Jury

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