



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE

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August 9, 2016

Honorable Charles Margines
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, CA 92701

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Mayor

Steven R. Jones
Mayor Pro Tem

Christopher V. Phan
Council Member

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Council Member

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Council Member

RE: Response to Orange County Grand Jury Report, *Light Rail: Is Orange County on the Right Track?*

Dear Judge Margines:

The City of Garden Grove is pleased to respond to the findings and recommendations of the May 9, 2016 Orange County Grand Jury Report, *Light Rail Is Orange County on the Right Track?* As requested by the Orange County Grand Jury, the City has provided a response to Finding F-5 and Recommendation R-6.

Response to Finding

F-5: *The long project times associated with light rail system establishment require not only careful planning and coordination by OCTA, but also consistent efforts to inform the public by those Orange County cities involved in development or possible development of light rail projects. (F-5)*

The City of Garden Grove agrees with this finding. Large capital projects can take years to develop. Successful projects and programs that provide a public service must include public input in all phases of project delivery. The City of Garden Grove has participated in and continues to support OCTA's public awareness campaign for the OC Streetcar aimed at engaging and involving the public as the project progresses. The City will continue to work collaboratively with OCTA to ensure the public is kept well informed.

Response to Recommendation

R-6: *Santa Ana and Garden Grove should create links on their Websites within six months of receipt of this report that show their efforts to complete the OC Streetcar project and then update these Websites every three months. (R-6)*

The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented by the City of Garden Grove before December 31, 2016. The City will work

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collaboratively with OCTA to ensure consistent information and updates are provided on the City's website to maximize public awareness.

Thank you again for the opportunity to respond to this report. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Murray, Public Works Director, at (714) 741-5379.

Sincerely,

Bao Nguyen
Mayor

C: Orange County Grand Jury