



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

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## OFFICE OF THE INDEPENDENT BUDGET ANALYST REPORT

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# Response to Grand Jury Report

## “Updating San Diego’s City Charter: A Recommendation to Amend the Charter’s Provisions Related to Removal of Elected Officials”

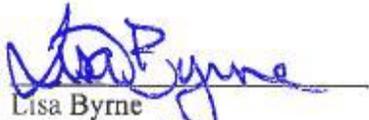
### OVERVIEW

On March 13, 2014, the San Diego County Grand Jury filed a report, which was directed to the San Diego City Council, entitled “Updating San Diego’s City Charter: A Recommendation to Amend the Charter’s Provisions Related to Removal of Elected Officials.” The goal of this Grand Jury report was to examine the City Charter in comparison to other California cities as relates to reasons for removal of an elected official.

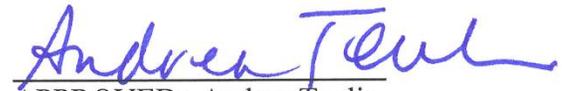
The Grand Jury Report included two findings and four recommendations which were directed to the City Council for comments. The Council is required to provide comments to the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Court on each of the findings and recommendations in the Grand Jury Report within 90 days, on June 11, 2014.

In responding to each Grand Jury finding, the City is required to either (1) agree with the finding or (2) disagree wholly or partially with the finding. Responses to Grand Jury recommendations must indicate that the recommendation (1) has been implemented; (2) has not yet been implemented, but will be in the future; (3) requires further analysis; or (4) will not be implemented because it is not warranted or is not reasonable. Explanations for responses are requested when applicable.

Our office developed a draft response collaboratively with the City Attorney’s Office. The full text of the proposed response is included as Attachment 1 to this report.



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Attachments:

1. Proposed City Council Response to San Diego County Grand Jury Report Entitled “Updating San Diego’s City Charter: A Recommendation to Amend the Charter’s Provisions Related to Removal of Elected Officials”
2. San Diego County Grand Jury Report entitled “Updating San Diego’s City Charter: A Recommendation to Amend the Charter’s Provisions Related to Removal of Elected Officials”