

1 [Board Response - Civil Grand Jury - San Francisco County Jails: Our Largest Mental Health  
2 Facility Needs Attention]

3 **Resolution responding to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings**  
4 **and recommendations contained in the 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled**  
5 **“San Francisco County Jails: Our Largest Mental Health Facility Needs Attention;” and**  
6 **urging the Mayor to cause the implementation of accepted findings and**  
7 **recommendations through his/her department heads and through the development of**  
8 **the annual budget.**

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10 WHEREAS, Under California Penal Code, Section 933 et seq., the Board of  
11 Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior  
12 Court on the findings and recommendations contained in Civil Grand Jury Reports; and

13 WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), if a finding or  
14 recommendation of the Civil Grand Jury addresses budgetary or personnel matters of a  
15 county agency or a department headed by an elected officer, the agency or department head  
16 and the Board of Supervisors shall respond if requested by the Civil Grand Jury, but the  
17 response of the Board of Supervisors shall address only budgetary or personnel matters over  
18 which it has some decision making authority; and

19 WHEREAS, Under San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(a), the Board of  
20 Supervisors must conduct a public hearing by a committee to consider a final report of the  
21 findings and recommendations submitted, and notify the current foreperson and immediate  
22 past foreperson of the civil grand jury when such hearing is scheduled; and

23 WHEREAS, In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(b),  
24 the Controller must report to the Board of Supervisors on the implementation of

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1 recommendations that pertain to fiscal matters that were considered at a public hearing held  
2 by a Board of Supervisors Committee; and

3 WHEREAS, The 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled “San Francisco County  
4 Jails: Our Largest Mental Health Facility Needs Attention” (Report) is on file with the Clerk of  
5 the Board of Supervisors in File No. 160620, which is hereby declared to be a part of this  
6 Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

7 WHEREAS, The Civil Grand Jury has requested that the Board of Supervisors respond  
8 to Recommendation Nos. R.B.1.c, R.C.2.c and R.D.4.c contained in the subject Report; and

9 WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.B.1.c states: “The Board of Supervisors should  
10 approve the Mayor’s supplemental budget request for funds to address the problems with old  
11 locks at Jail #4 and any other remaining serious maintenance issues;” and

12 WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.C.2.c states: “The Board of Supervisors should  
13 approve the amount for 24/7 staffing when the budget reaches them;” and

14 WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.D.4.c states: “The Board of Supervisors should  
15 approve the Sheriff’s request for the purpose of training all Deputies at County Jails on suicide  
16 prevention and crisis intervention;” and

17 WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), the Board of  
18 Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior  
19 Court on Recommendation Nos. R.B.1.c, R.C.2.c and R.D.4.c contained in the Report; now,  
20 therefore, be it

21 RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.B.1.c  
22 has been implemented for reasons as follows: As part of the annual budget process, the  
23 adopted budget appropriation for FY2016-2017 and FY2017-2018 includes \$132,300 and  
24 \$138,915, respectively, for County Jail #3 and County Jail #4 lights and locks maintenance.  
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1 The Board of Supervisors will seriously consider any additional funding needs for safety  
2 problems at County Jail #4; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation  
4 No. R.C.2.c will not implemented for reasons as follows: The FY2017-2018 and FY2018-2019  
5 budget will not reach the Board of Supervisors for several months, and the Board cannot  
6 make funding commitments at this time, especially since its own composition will be different  
7 when the next budget is passed. However, in consultation with the Sheriff's Department and  
8 Department of Public Health, the Board of Supervisors will carefully consider the prospect of  
9 staffing Jail Behavioral Health Services 24 hours 7 days a week; and, be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports Recommendation No.  
11 R.D.4.c has been implemented for reasons as follows: Per the Mayor's Office response: "The  
12 FY2017-2018 budget includes training all Deputies at County Jails on suicide prevention and  
13 crisis intervention, including enough for a training float;" and, be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor to cause the  
15 implementation of the accepted findings and recommendations through his/her department  
16 heads and through the development of the annual budget.

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