FILE NO. 160612

AMENDED IN COMMITTEE 09/01/2016 RESOLUTION NO. 389-16

[Board Response - Civil Grand Jury - Auto Burglary in San Francisco]

Resolution responding to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings and recommendations contained in the 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled "Auto Burglary in San Francisco;" and urging the Mayor to cause the implementation of accepted findings and recommendations through his/her department heads and through the development of the annual budget.

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

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

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

WHEREAS, In accordance with San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.10(b), the Controller must report to the Board of Supervisors on the implementation of recommendations that pertain to fiscal matters that were considered at a public hearing held by a Board of Supervisors Committee; and WHEREAS, The 2015-2016 Civil Grand Jury Report, entitled "Auto Burglary in San Francisco" (Report) is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 160612, which is hereby declared to be a part of this Resolution as if set forth fully herein; and

WHEREAS, The Civil Grand Jury has requested that the Board of Supervisors respond to Finding Nos. F.A.1, F.C.1 and F.F.1, as well as, Recommendation Nos. R.A.1, R.C.1, R.D.5, R.E.3.d and R.F.1 contained in the subject Report; and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F.A.1 states: "While the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) command staff has steadily added qualified officers to a new centralized unit, known as the Patrol Bureau Task Force, the unit will not be fully effective until it is outfitted with appropriate vehicles (vehicles not easily identified as City-owned cars) for surveillance;" and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F.C.1 states: "Complicated cases involving prolific auto burglars are specially handled by three different units: the reviewing Assistant District Attorney (ADA) of auto crimes, the Gang Unit, and the Crime Strategies Unit. Each unit's unique perspective may impede the pooling of information needed to develop best practices for prosecuting organized criminals;" and

WHEREAS, Finding No. F.F.1 states: "Visitors/tourists, often targeted for crime, have unique needs that can often be foreseen and prepared for by victims' services organizations;" and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.A.1 states: "Ensure the Patrol Bureau Task Force (PBTF) has adequate resources, including investigators, a dedicated crime analyst, and necessary vehicles, equipment, and technology to expand surveillance and apprehension;" and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.C.1 states: "Establish a serial crimes unit as a counterpart to the SFPD's Patrol Unit Task Force and its future serial crimes unit (R.A.5.). The

unit's mission would be to prosecute cross-district, serial property crimes by organized career criminals;" and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.D.5 states: "Require the District Attorney to present to the Government Audit and Oversight (GAO) Committee the comparative analysis (R.D.4) and annual report (R.C.3.) of the crime strategies unit, including significant findings and recommendations;" and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.E.3.d states: "Support funding to expand the Community Ambassador's Program;" and

WHEREAS, Recommendation No. R.F.1 states: "Use the customary legislative process to review, vet, refine and vote to approve a resolution for a visitor and tourist protection and assistance program;" and

WHEREAS, In accordance with California Penal Code, Section 933.05(c), the Board of Supervisors must respond, within 90 days of receipt, to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on Finding Nos. F.A.1, F.C.1 and F.F.1, as well as, Recommendation Nos. R.A.1, R.C.1, R.D.5, R.E.3.d and R.F.1 contained in the Report; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court that they agree with Finding No. F.A.1 for the reasons as stated in the Mayor's response to the Civil Grand Jury; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that they disagree partially with Finding No. F.C.1 for reasons as follows: Units that review cases are in frequent communication. Moreover, the unique perspectives of the reviewing Assistant District Attorney of auto crimes, the gang unit and crime strategies unit improve collaboration of pooling information to develop best practices for prosecuting organized criminals; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that they agree with Finding No. F.F.1; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.A.1 has been implemented for reasons as follows: SFPD evaluates staffing levels of all divisions within the department as part of its budget development process each year. Staffing evaluation includes additional staffing and investigators to PBTF. SFPD has met with vendors and is evaluating additional equipment and technology to enhance the operations of PBTF that could be requested in connection with future budget requests. SFPD plans to allocate crime analysts to the investigations division which includes PBTF in the next three months; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.C.1 has been implemented and will be further expanded for reasons as follows: In the summer of 2015 the crime strategies unit initiated the security camera interactive map project; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.D.5 has been and will continue to be implemented as evidence of the comprehensive presentation of the District Attorney's Office at the September 1, 2016, Government Audit and Oversight Committee; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.E.3.d has been implemented for reasons as follows: Relative to Community Benefit Districts this recommendation has been and will continue to be implemented and expanded; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reports that Recommendation No. R.F.1 will not be implemented for reasons as follows: It is not necessary to use the legislative process necessarily to accomplish these goals for a tourist protection and assistance program; and, be it FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors urges the Mayor to cause the implementation of the accepted findings and recommendations through his/her department heads and through the development of the annual budget.



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September 01, 2016 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

September 01, 2016 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED

September 13, 2016 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang, Wiener and Yee

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 9/13/2016 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

Date Approved