

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-78

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE WRITTEN
RESPONSE OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO TO THE
2022/2023 SAN DIEGO COUNTY GRAND JURY REPORT
TITLED "HOUSING IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY"

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2023, the 2022/2023 San Diego County Grand Jury ("Grand Jury") filed a Report, titled "Housing in San Diego County" ("Report"), with the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Court in accordance with California Penal Code section 933; and

WHEREAS, the Report explored the regional need for, and challenges related to, increasing housing stock and affordability and the role public agencies may play in resolving these issues; and

WHEREAS, in total, the Report includes six findings and nine recommendations to the County of San Diego and various San Diego County municipalities, including seven recommendations directed at the City of Escondido ("City"), for comment; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to provide comments to the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Court within ninety (90) days of the publication of the Report; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Penal Code section 933.05(a), 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; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Penal Code section 933.05(b), the City is required to indicate that a recommendation (1) has been implemented; (2) has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future; (3) requires further analysis; or (4) will not be implemented because it is not warranted or is not reasonable and an explanation therefor; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager's Office, including the City's Planning Department, in coordination with the City Attorney's Office, reviewed and considered the Report's Findings of Fact and Recommendations and have drafted a proposed Response attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2023, the City's Housing Subcommittee reviewed and considered a draft response to the Report and made recommendations thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City's Response attached hereto as Exhibit A provides accurate and complete responses to the Report Recommendations consistent with California law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is required to and desires to fully comply with state law in addressing the Report's Recommendations and wishes to authorize the City Manager to execute the City's Response attached as Exhibit "A" and timely file it with the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.
2. That the City Council approves and adopts, as its own, the Response to the San Diego Grand Jury Report titled "Housing in San Diego County" as set forth in Exhibit "A" ("Response") attached hereto and made a part hereof.
3. That the City Manager is authorized and directed, on behalf of the City Council, to execute and deliver to the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Court the Response no later than August 9, 2023.