SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICE

SUBMITTAL DATE: May 9, 2000

SUBJECT: Response to Grand Jury Report: Building Services Department

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1) Approve, with or without modifications, the attached response to the Grand Jury's recommendations regarding the Building Services Department; and

2) Direct the Clerk of the Board to immediately forward the Board’s finalized response to the Grand Jury, to the Presiding Judge, and to the County Clerk-Recorder (for mandatory filing with the State).

BACKGROUND: On March 7, the Board directed staff to prepare a draft of the Board’s response to the Grand Jury’s report regarding the Building Services Department.

Section 933 of the Penal Code requires that the Board of Supervisors comment on the Grand Jury’s recommendations pertaining to matters under the control of the Board, and that a response be provided to the Presiding Judge of Superior Court within 90 days after the report was issued.

Attachment

THOMAS M. DESANTIS
Deputy County Executive Officer

FINANCIAL DATA:
CURRENT YEAR COST $ ANNUAL COST $
NET COUNTY COST $ IN CURRENT YEAR BUDGET:

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Buster, seconded by Supervisor Tavaglione and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Buster, Tavaglione, Venable and Wilson

Noes: None

Absent: Mullen

Date: May 9, 2000


Prev. Agn. ref. 3.1, 3/7/00 Dist. AGENDA NO.

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. The Board of Supervisors and the County Executive Officer develop a cost averaging plan for Building Services. Allocate annually a set amount in a separate fund specifically for use of deferred and life cycle maintenance. This fund is to be used and administered exclusively by the Building Services Department in accordance with their 1999-2007 Facilities Master Plan.

RESPONSE:

Concur, in concept. The County's Facilities Master Plan was developed to provide a priority list of major building systems which need to be repaired/replaced. Progress has been made in this effort; the Building Services Department will ensure that resources designated for this purpose are used to meet priority needs.

RECOMMENDATION:

2. Authorize adequate funds for maintenance of all County facilities to immediately bring them up to acceptable operational standards in accordance with the Building Services list of priorities.

RESPONSE:

Concur, in concept. The Building Services Department will ensure that resources allocated to facility maintenance are maximized to sustain operation of these County assets.

RECOMMENDATION:

3. Authorize an increase in maintenance staff to eliminate the rapidly growing backlog of deferred maintenance.

RESPONSE:

The Board will fully consider FY 2000-01 budget recommendations regarding facility maintenance projects and staffing.
RECOMMENDATION:

4. **Assure that new County facilities have funding for adequate maintenance and custodial staffing.**

RESPONSE:

Concur. Staff has been increased during the past year, and as new facilities come on line, staff will forward requests for additional resources necessary to support such facilities.