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RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 317037

DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE NOV 10 2026

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO APPROVING THE CITY COUNCIL'S RESPONSE TO THE 2025-2026 SAN DIEGO COUNTY GRAND JURY REPORT TITLED "PLAYING WITH FIRE: THE HIGH STAKES OF LOW INSPECTION COMPLETION."

RECITALS

The Council of the City of San Diego (Council) adopts this Resolution based on the following:

A. On June 12, 2026, the 2025-2026 San Diego County Grand Jury (Grand Jury) filed a report titled "Playing with Fire: The High Stakes of Low Inspection Completion" (Report) that focuses on issues pertaining to fire safety building inspections conducted by the San Diego Fire Rescue Department's (SDFD) Community Risk Reduction Division.

B. The Report included nine findings and nine recommendations with three recommendations directed to both the Mayor and Council. SDFD was invited but not required to respond to recommendations one through eight, and the City Treasurer was invited, but not required to respond to recommendation six.

C. The proposed joint response from the Mayor and Council covers the three recommendations applicable to the City of San Diego (City) and is provided as Attachment 1 to the Office of Independent Budget Analyst (IBA) Report No. 26-23 (Oct. 8, 2026).

D. Under California Penal Code section 933(c), within 90 days after the filing of the report, each public agency which the Grand Jury reviewed, and about which it issued the Report, must comment to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court on the findings and recommendations pertaining to matters under the control of the agency.

E. The City requested and was granted a 90-day extension to respond, with the response now due to the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Court by December 9, 2026.

F. The IBA has proposed a response to the Report as set forth in Attachment 1 of the IBA Report No. 26-23 (Oct. 8, 2026), for the Mayor and Council's consideration. The IBA has conferred with the Mayor's Staff who have approved the proposed response applicable to the Mayor.

G. The Office of the City Attorney prepared this Resolution based on the information provided by City staff including information provided by affected third parties and verified by City staff, with the understanding that this information is complete and accurate.

H. Under San Diego Charter section 280(a)(1), this Resolution is not subject to veto by the Mayor because this matter is exclusively within the Council's purview and does not affect the administrative service of the City under the Mayor's control.

ACTION ITEMS

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of San Diego:

1. The Council approves and adopts its own response to the 2025-2026 San Diego Grand Jury Report titled "Playing with Fire: The High Stakes of Low Inspection Completion" as set forth in the proposed response applicable to the Council in IBA Report No. 26-23, dated October 8, 2026.

2. The Council President is authorized and directed, on behalf of the Council, to execute and deliver the above-described response to the Presiding Judge of the San Diego Superior Count no later than December 9, 2026.

APPROVED: HEATHER FERBERT, City Attorney

By _____ for Lara Easton
Lara Easton
Deputy City Attorney

LEE:ddr
October 27, 2026
Or.Dept: SDFD
Doc. No. 4584370

I certify that the Council of the City of San Diego adopted this Resolution at a meeting held on NOV 10 2026.

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk

By _____
Deputy City Clerk

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Passed by the Council of The City of San Diego on November 10, 2026, by the following vote:

Councilmembers	Yeas	Nays	Not Present	Recused
Joe LaCava	☒	☐	☐	☐
Jennifer Campbell	☒	☐	☐	☐
Stephen Whitburn	☒	☐	☐	☐
Henry L. Foster III	☐	☐	☒	☐
Marni von Wilpert	☐	☐	☒	☐
Kent Lee	☒	☐	☐	☐
Raul A. Campillo	☐	☐	☒	☐
Vivian Moreno	☒	☐	☐	☐
Sean Elo-Rivera	☒	☐	☐	☐

Date of final passage NOV 10 2026.

(Please note: When a resolution is approved by the Mayor, the date of final passage is the date the approved resolution was returned to the Office of the City Clerk.)

AUTHENTICATED BY:

TODD GLORIA
Mayor of The City of San Diego, California.

(Seal)

DIANA J.S. FUENTES
City Clerk of The City of San Diego, California.

By _____, Deputy

Office of the City Clerk, San Diego, California

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