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Responses to Recommendations
Santee City Council
Prepared by Keith Till, City Manager

The San Diego County Grand Jury recommends that the Board of Supervisors, Sheriff Department and City of Santee officials make a prompt, joint, unannounced visit to Las Colinas.

Response:

The City of Santee does not dispute that the existing buildings and facilities at Las Colinas Detention Facility are in need of extensive repairs or replacement. A number of Santee elected and appointed officials have already taken a tour of Las Colinas. It is our judgment that additional tours are unnecessary and would not alter the City's position that the Santee Town Center is an inappropriate and unacceptable location for an expanded jail.

Recommendation 07-98

Recommendation 07-96

San Diego Grand Jury recommends that the City of Santee STOP trying to block efforts to replace and enlarge Las Colinas.

Response:

The City of Santee is not trying to block efforts to replace and enlarge Las Colinas. The heart of the Santee Town Center is simply the wrong location to do it. The County of San Diego owns land elsewhere, where a new jail can be built isolated from residential neighborhoods and commercial centers yet just as accessible as the current Las Colinas site.

For your information, we have attached an independent economist's report on the subject.

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