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Response to Grand Jury Report Form

Report Title: Who Can Afford to Live in Sonoma County "A Tale of Two Cities"
Report Date: June 12, 2025
Response by: Evelyn L. Mitchell Title: Mayor, City of Healdsburg
Agency/Department Name: City of Healdsburg

FINDINGS:

[List numbers: ie. F1, F2]

I (we) agree with the findings numbered: F1, F2, F3, F4, F5, F6

I (we) disagree wholly or partially with the findings numbered: _____

(Attach a statement specifying any portions of the findings that are disputed with an explanation of the reasons.)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

[List numbers: ie. R2, R3]

- Recommendations numbered: R1 _____ have been implemented.
(Attach a summary describing the implemented actions.)
- Recommendations numbered: _____ have not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future.
(Attach a timeframe for the implementation.)
- Recommendations numbered: N/A _____ require(s) further analysis.
(Attach an explanation and the scope and parameters of an analysis or study, and a timeframe for the matter to be prepared for discussion by the officer or director of the agency or department being investigated or reviewed, including the governing body of the public agency when applicable. *This timeframe shall not exceed six months from the date of publication of the Grand Jury report.*)
- Recommendations numbered: _____ will not be implemented because they are not warranted or are not reasonable.
(Attach an explanation.)

Date: August 19, 2025

Signed: Evelyn Mitchell

Number of pages attached: 1

(See attached PC Civil Grand Jury Response Requirements)

RECOMMENDATIONS

R1. *By January 30, 2026, Healdsburg and Rohnert Park will each create an ongoing community engagement plan, which includes multilingual community outreach and education, surveys, public workshops, and dedicated working groups.*

Response: This recommendation has been implemented and will continue to be carried out. The City of Healdsburg's certified 6th Cycle Housing Element embeds community engagement as a core policy directive (Policy H-2.2) and has been implemented through ongoing multilingual outreach, community surveys, public events, and collaboration with community-based organizations. These activities include the Housing Element Working Group, bilingual surveys, workforce forums, senior needs assessments, resource fairs, and in-field outreach with community partners. The City will continue to advance this work and maintain inclusive engagement practices as housing programs are implemented.