September 7, 2018

Honorable Stephanie Hulsey
Judge of the Superior Court
240 Church Street
Salinas, CA 93901

Dear Judge Hulsey:

During its Council Meeting on September 6, 2018, the City Council adopted the
following responses to the findings and recommendations in the Monterey County Civil
Grand Jury Report titled "Who's in Charge?"

Findings
The City Council agrees with all findings, except as noted below:

F5 – The City Council agrees with the finding generally, but does not agree with the
language of the final sentence which may be interpreted as elected officials are
purposefully avoiding responsibility for addressing homelessness.

F9 – The City Council agrees with the finding generally, but believes the word
"governmental" should replace the word "political".

F11 – The City Council agrees with the finding generally, but believes the words "new
governing" should be replaced with "sufficiently authoritative and resourced".

Recommendations

The City Council generally agrees with the recommendations, but notes most of the
recommendations involve jurisdictions beyond the authority of the City Council.
Recommendations #4 - #9 are particularly challenged by this jurisdictional issue and,
thus, the recommendation cannot be implemented solely by the City of Seaside.

Recommendation 1 – The City of Seaside has created a Homeless Committee and is
budgeting funds on an annual basis for homeless assistance, within budgetary
limitations.

Recommendation 2 – The City Council generally agrees, and is prepared to lend
support, pending further analysis of a specific proposal.

Recommendation 3 – The City Council generally agrees, and is prepared to lend support, pending further analysis of a specific proposal.

Recommendation 10 – The City Council generally agrees, and is prepared to lend support, pending further analysis of a specific proposal.

Sincerely,

Ralph Rubio
Mayor