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August 3, 2011

Ms. Helen Popenhager, Foreperson
Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury
Superior Court Building
191 North First Street
San Jose, CA 95113

Dear Ms. Popenhager:

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Cupertino received the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury final report, **“Can You Hear Me Now?” Emergency Dispatch in Santa Clara County**. Please note that the City of Cupertino does not have its own emergency dispatch. The Council has determined as follows: the City agrees with findings 1 and 2 and authorized the City Manager to send this letter on its behalf.

In response to recommendation 1 which is **[A]ll jurisdictions which use the Santa Clara County Communications for dispatch – Cupertino, Los Altos Hill, and Saratoga- should consolidate dispatch with neighboring jurisdictions and, where appropriate, should issue RFP’s to do so.**

The City Council of Cupertino has determined: pursuant to Penal Code Section 933.05(b)(3):

Due to the City’s contractual relationship with the County and the Sheriff’s department this analysis may be performed by these other entities. The recommendation requires further analysis, with an explanation and the scope and parameters of an analysis or study, and a time frame for the matter to be prepared for discussion by the officer or head 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.

In response to recommendation 2 which is **[A]ll jurisdictions which use the Santa Clara County Communications for dispatch – Cupertino, Los Altos Hill, and Saratoga; the Santa Clara County Sheriff’s Office and Santa Clara County, should continue to work with the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Association to achieve countywide standardization of radio technology.**

The City Council of Cupertino has determined: pursuant to Penal Code Section 933.05(b)(1):

The recommendation has been implemented as Cupertino is a member of and contributes to the Silicon Valley Regional Interoperability Authority.

Sincerely,

David W. Knapp
City Manager