

COUNTYWIDE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE February 17, 2016 MEETING
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street, Room 739
Los Angeles, California 90012

MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Chair: Supervisor Hilda Solis, First District and Chair of the County Board of Supervisors

Jackie Lacey, District Attorney and Vice Chair of CCJCC
Daniel Calleros, President, Southeast Police Chiefs Association
*Dardy Chen for Sachi Hamai, County Chief Executive Officer
*Brenda Crowding for Scott Kernan, Secretary, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
Beatriz Dieringer, California League of Cities
Kelly Emling for Ronald Brown, County Public Defender
Janice Fukai, County Alternate Public Defender
Scott Gordon, Assistant Supervising Judge, Criminal Division, Superior Court
Donna Groman for Michael Levanas, Presiding Judge, Juvenile Superior Court
*Kimberly Guillemet for Eric Garcetti, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
David Herriford for James Brandlin, Supervising Judge, Criminal Division, Superior Court
Christa Hohmann, Directing Attorney, Post Conviction Assistance Center
Wesley Hsu for Eileen Decker, U.S. Attorney
*Ben Karabian for Mike Feuer, Los Angeles City Attorney
Karen Loquet for James Jones, Director, County Internal Services Department
Jonathan McCaverty for Mary Wickham, Interim County Counsel
Terri McDonald for Jim McDonnell, Sheriff
Edward McIntyre for Rodney Gibson, Chair, County Quality & Productivity Commission
Emilio Mendoza for Philip Browning, Director, County Department of Children and Family Services
Don Meredith for Joe Gardner, President, County Probation Commission
Chris O'Quinn for Bill Siegl, Chief, Southern Division, California Highway Patrol
*Felicia Orozco for Miguel Santana, Los Angeles City Chief Administrative Officer
Sharon Papa, President, South Bay Police Chiefs Association
*Sharon Papa for Jim Smith, President, Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association
Earl Perkins for Michelle King, Superintendent, Los Angeles Unified School District
Robert Philibosian for Isaac Barcelona, Chair, County Economy and Efficiency Commission
Robin Toma, Executive Director, County Human Relations Commission
Robin Toma for Cynthia Banks, Director, County Department of Community & Senior Services
*Brian Whetsel for Charlie Beck, Chief, Los Angeles Police Department
Edward Winter for Mark Fajardo, County Coroner – Medical Examiner

Lance Winters for Kamala Harris, California Attorney General

***Not a designated alternate**

I. CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Hilda Solis, County Supervisor, First District

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis, Chair of CCJCC.

Self-introductions followed.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Hilda Solis, County Supervisor, First District

The minutes of the January 20, 2016 CCJCC meeting were corrected to reflect that Beatriz Dieringer, California League of Cities, was present at the meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended.

ACTION: The motion to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2016 meeting as amended was seconded and approved without objection.

III. LOS ANGELES COUNTY OPEN DATA WEBSITE

Ali Farahani, Director, Information Systems Advisory Body (ISAB)

Ali Farahani, Director of the Information Systems Advisory Body (ISAB), appeared before CCJCC to provide an update on the County's Open Data Website.

As background, on January 20, 2015, the Board of Supervisors directed the County Chief Information Officer (CIO) to establish and administer a Los Angeles County Open Data Portal where county departments can post open data for public access.

An Open Data Initiative enables the County of Los Angeles to further enhance transparency, improve collaboration with community organizations and local businesses, foster innovation, promote stronger regional economic development, and improve government services.

The County Open Data Initiative is a commitment by the County to collect, release, and present data to the public and to County departments that will provide tremendous benefits to the residents and businesses of the County while also instituting appropriate security safeguards of confidential and protected information.

Data that is provided by this County is utilized by private entities, researchers, entrepreneurs, and many others.

Mr. Farahani stated that the Open Data Initiative offers value related to public safety in the following ways:

- First, publishing high-value datasets increases transparency by improving public access to non-sensitive data from the Criminal Justice systems;
- Second, datasets will be available in machine-readable format to enable the development of applications with value to the public and businesses;
- Third, it incorporates data from non-criminal justice sources, such as public health, geographic identifiers, and public spending;
- Fourth, it places all related datasets available in one place for a complete and holistic view of public safety; and
- Fifth, it enables data visualization for easier presentation and review of data for analysis purposes. For example, members of the public can place the data in a graphics format or overlay geographic data.

Open data is utilized in other parts of the country as well as internationally. As an example, open data about crime and policing in England, Wales, and Northern Ireland is presented at data.police.uk.

Examples of datasets that other U.S. counties present through open data portals include information on food inspections, crime, 311 requests, budget and expenditures, elections, census data, contracts, county services, and building permits.

The implementation of the County's Open Data Initiative has two phases to consolidate and unify departmental open data onto one platform. The first phase launched in May 2015 and the website address is data.lacounty.gov. Datasets are available from the following Los Angeles County departments: Assessor; Auditor-Controller; Mental Health; Public Health; Public Social Services; Regional Planning; Registrar Recorder/County Clerk; and Sheriff.

Phase 2 will involve identifying additional datasets suitable to be moved onto the County's Open Data Portal.

Mr. Farahani next introduced Chief Dean Gialamas, who serves as a Division Director with the Sheriff's Department.

The Sheriff's Department has made data available through its website as well as through the Open Data Portal. Chief Gialamas stated that the Sheriff's Department has been an early adopter of open data initiatives and has participated in the White House Open Data Initiative for Policing.

The Sheriff's Department has also received insightful recommendations from the Office of Inspector General in formulating its open data initiative.

Sheriff's Department data is classified as either (1) open data, which is available and accessible to the public, (2) data that is kept for internal use, or (3) collaborative data that is shared between departments/agencies.

As part of its commitment to the Open Data Initiative, a Chief Data Officer position has been created within the department. The Sheriff's Department is one of the first law enforcement agencies in the nation to create such a role and position.

The Chief Data Officer serves as an enterprise-wide data steward for the following:

- Leverage – which involves finding innovative ways to use and optimize existing data;
- Transparency – which involves sharing approved data that is useful for community engagement;
- Enhancement – which involves finding new sources of efficiency, effectiveness, and risk mitigation tied to data; and
- Governance – which involves ensuring privacy, security, and compliance with data accountability standards.

Chief Gialamas introduced Wendy Harn, who serves as the Sheriff Department's Chief Data Officer.

The public can access data from the Sheriff's Department website located at www.lasd.org. On the opening page, there are links both at the top and on the right that say Public Data Sharing. Clicking either link will take the web user to a page with public information that can be obtained and viewed in different formats. For example, information on deputy-involved shootings can be viewed as data, on maps, or in pie or bar charts.

Ms. Harn noted that this represents an improvement over static websites where data can only be viewed in the format in which it is presented. The Sheriff's Department has also been diligent in keeping available data current.

The department has been assisted by the media and academics that have alerted them to gaps in the data. As there is limited staff available to review the information that is made public, this helps the department to correct errors and improve upon the integrity of the data.

Ms. Harn demonstrated the types of data that the public can access. Specifically, she provided a live demonstration of access to Crime Data, Historical Crime Data, and Deputy-Involved Shootings. Policies and procedures are also made available on the public data sharing page.

County Inspector General Max Huntsman addressed the committee and stated that the Sheriff's Department will be adding more public data sharing information in the future. As an example, he reported that the department is working on making information on

use of force incidents available to the public, as well as disciplinary information. While this data will be general in nature and not individualized, it will still help to inform the public about the nature of law enforcement and activities that are taking place.

Supervisor Solis expressed her interest in this project and reported that there will be a great deal of interest on the part of the other Board offices as well.

ACTION: For information only.

IV. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR GRANT OPPORTUNITY: JAIL-BASED JOB CENTER

Otto Solorzano, Chief Deputy, Department of Community and Senior Services

Otto Solorzano, Chief Deputy of the Department of Community and Senior Services (DCSS), appeared before CCJCC to provide an overview of a grant opportunity from the Department of Labor.

As background, on July 15, 2015, this committee voted to support DCSS' application for a Productivity Investment Fund (PIF) grant of \$900,000 to create a jail-based job center in the Pitchess Detention Center. DCSS was subsequently awarded this grant.

DCSS would like to create a similar jail-based job center at the women's Century Regional Detention Facility (CRDF) in Lynwood. Mr. Solorzano informed the committee that the U.S. Department of Labor has made available a \$500,000 grant that could fund this effort by providing for pre-release employment activities.

If the DCSS were to receive this grant funding, it would provide employment services to 150 graduates from the Sheriff's Department Education Based Incarceration (EBI) program. This helps to reduce recidivism and increases the self-confidence of participants.

Mr. Solorzano noted that there are 44 WorkSource centers throughout the County of Los Angeles. These offer comprehensive employment and hiring services to workers, employers, and job seekers at no charge. Over half a million individuals enter WorkSource centers in the county every year.

Most WorkSource facilities have technology resource centers with phones, fax machines, computers with Internet access, and copiers. Job seekers also have access to employment specialists, training and education resources, and local job listings at the centers.

The job centers have contacts with high growth industries, businesses, and the public sector. In addition, DCSS is working with the California Employment Development Department (EDD), California Department of Rehabilitation, County Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), the Probation Department, and the Sheriff's Department as part of its comprehensive approach.

With regard to training, DCSS is working with community colleges and over 400 training institutions to help prepare the county's workforce. Additionally, DCSS works with employee unions to determine which apprenticeship or pre-apprenticeship programs are available for job seekers.

Mr. Solorzano requested a letter from CCJCC in support of DCSS' grant application to the U.S. Department of Labor to fund a jail-based job center located at CRDF.

Supervisor Solis remarked that she is familiar with this grant from the years that she served as the U.S. Secretary of Labor. She stated that these are worthwhile programs.

A motion was made for CCJCC to support DCSS' grant application to the U.S. Department of Labor to fund a jail-based job center located at CRDF.

ACTION: The motion for CCJCC to support DCSS' grant application to the U.S. Department of Labor to fund a jail-based job center located at CRDF was seconded and approved without objection. A letter of support on behalf of CCJCC will be prepared and submitted.

Supervisor Solis stated that she will also seek a letter of support from the County Board of Supervisors in support of this grant application.

In response to a query from Assistant Sheriff Terri McDonald, Mr. Solorzano confirmed that a letter of support had been received from the Sheriff's Department.

V. COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS (CAOD)

Mark Delgado, Executive Director, CCJCC

Mark Delgado, Executive Director of CCJCC, provided an update on the request by the Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs (CAOD) for representation from CCJCC.

As a reminder, at last month's CCJCC meeting held on January 20th, Mr. Delgado discussed a request from CAOD for representation on the commission from a member of CCJCC that can represent public safety interests. CCJCC members were asked to submit nominations to Mr. Delgado.

The Los Angeles County Police Chiefs' Association submitted the following nomination to represent CCJCC on CAOD: Chief Sharon Papa, Chief of Police of the Hermosa Beach Police Department. No other nominations have been received.

Mr. Delgado stated that he has discussed this nomination with the Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office, and key members of the Drug Court Oversight Subcommittee. There has not been any objection to the nomination.

Supervisor Solis invited Chief Papa to make remarks on her interest in serving on the CAOD. Chief Papa noted that the highest concentration of underage drinking in the

county is in the South Bay area. She has been reaching out to community groups to address this issue. Serving on the CAOD will provide her with an opportunity to represent this committee and help to focus attention and needed resources on the matters that are discussed by the CAOD.

A motion was made to approve the nomination of Chief Sharon Papa as the CCJCC representative to the CAOD.

ACTION: The motion to approve the nomination of Chief Sharon Papa as the CCJCC representative to the CAOD was seconded and approved without objection.

The nomination of Chief Sharon Papa to the CAOD will next go to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

VI. PROPOSITION 47 IMPLEMENTATION

Kelly Emling, Chief Deputy Public Defender

Kelly Emling, Chief Deputy with the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office, appeared before CCJCC to provide an update on Proposition 47 legal assistance efforts in the County.

On December 1, 2015, the Board of Supervisors passed a motion related to Proposition 47 with respect to the following three areas (1) Outreach and legal relief; (2) Coordination of jobs and services; and (3) Pursuit of state funding through Proposition 47.

With respect to outreach and legal relief, Ms. Emling noted that there are nearly 800,000 potential cases in the county that are eligible for reduction under Proposition 47. This breaks down by attorney type as follows:

- Public Defender: 550,421 potential cases
- Alternate Public Defender: 77,433 potential cases
- Privately Retained Counsel: 108,701 potential cases
- Court Appointed Counsel: 50,129 potential cases
- Pro Per: 7,321 potential cases

Within Supervisorial Districts, the percentage of potential cases breaks down as follows:

- 1st District: 19.7%
- 2nd District: 35%
- 3rd District: 14.1%
- 4th District: 17%
- 5th District: 14.1%

These are rough estimates based upon where people were when the convictions occurred. Ms. Emling stated that the data is still being sorted and has not all been finalized.

The Public Defender's Office and Alternate Public Defender's Office have so far obtained over 25,000 reductions from felonies to misdemeanors under Proposition 47.

Los Angeles County Alternate Public Defender Janice Fukai clarified that the numbers being discussed are potential cases/convictions and not actual clients. Ms. Emling confirmed that Ms. Fukai's interpretation is correct.

Ms. Fukai stated that the Alternate Public Defender's Office case management system has now identified about 100,000 potential cases, but cautioned that a number of their clients have multiple cases.

In terms of outreach efforts, the Public Defender's Office has held events, distributed business cards, implemented a direct mail pilot, and worked through the Department of Community and Senior Services (DCSS) job centers.

On February 9th, a meeting was held at the community center in East Los Angeles that was co-hosted by Neighborhood Legal Services of L.A. and Californians for Safety and Justice. Other county departments were represented along with individuals and organizations from the community to determine how best to outreach to individuals.

Other events have been organized by community partners and legal agencies, and both the Public Defender's Office and Alternate Public Defender's Office have had representatives in attendance and have provided legal support.

The business cards that the Public Defender's Office has been distributing provide brief information on Proposition 47 and contact information for individuals that want to learn more. These have been distributed at various locations and events in the county.

With the direct mail pilot project, the Public Defender's Office selected a number of cases selected through a search tool and began sending letters directly to clients to let them know that they may be eligible for a Proposition 47 reduction. This has proven to be a successful effort.

Supervisor Solis inquired as to whether the Public Defender's Office has attempted to have Public Service Announcements played on radio stations. Ms. Emling stated that this is currently cost prohibitive.

The Public Defender's Office is proposing other outreach efforts, such as transit and agency advertising. For example, the office is targeting particular bus and train lines to provide information to the public about Proposition 47.

Other proposed outreach efforts include a much larger people search and direct mail campaign, flyers to be sent to county clients, and targeted leveraging.

The Treasurer Tax Collector's (TTC) Office has offered its assistance with the larger direct mail campaign. TTC has extensive experience with sending large volumes of

mail.

With targeted leveraging, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) has indicated that it would welcome the participation of the Public Defender's Office in distributing information to individuals that they are trying to reach.

Ms. Emling stated that a number of county departments have been very helpful in the outreach efforts.

In addition to public outreach, there is also coordination within the county for other services directed to the population affected by Proposition 47. For instance, DCSS has invited the Public Defender's Office to collaborate with their staff so that clients that receive a felony reduction through Proposition 47 can subsequently receive employment services from DCSS.

Robert Philibosian of the County Economy and Efficiency Commission inquired as to whether the expenses for the county's outreach efforts are being reimbursed by the state through Proposition 47 funds.

Ms. Emling stated that the county is not currently receiving any funding from the state to offset outreach expenses. She added that the funding that is to come from Proposition 47 is targeted for treatment agencies. Funding for outreach efforts is coming from existing budgets.

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey asked whether the number of potential cases within each District can be broken down by the type of offenses.

Ms. Emling stated that her office does not currently have that information or the ages of all of the cases, but that the data is still being refined.

Efforts are being made to have the State Legislature approve an extension on the three-year deadline for filing an application for a Proposition 47 reduction. Many potentially eligible individuals may not receive a notice of the opportunity to file an application until after the deadline has passed.

Ms. Emling reported that Patricia Carbajal of the County CEO's Office of Intergovernmental Relations and External Affairs has been working to obtain support for this proposal in the State Legislature.

If the extension is approved, this may relieve the caseload pressure on the Superior Court due to the many applications being filed in order to meet the deadline. The current deadline for filing an application for a Proposition 47 reduction is November 2017.

As with the expenses for outreach efforts, the Superior Court also has not received any funding through Proposition 47 to handle the increased caseload resulting from the

passage of this law.

Assistant Supervising Judge Scott Gordon of the Superior Court's Criminal Division reported that, as of the last count, about 52,000 applications and petitions for reductions under Proposition 47 have been received and processed by the Court.

Supervisor Solis suggested that this presentation be made at a future meeting of the Board of Supervisors as a means for helping to inform the public.

ACTION: For information only.

VII. OTHER MATTERS / PUBLIC COMMENT

A public comment was made by Mr. Joseph Maizlish.

Mr. Delgado advised the committee that a recent motion from the Board of Supervisors requests that an inventory be compiled of all public safety reports that are filed with the Board. The purpose of this inventory is to determine how the reports can be presented more efficiently and effectively.

He asked for those public safety agencies and departments that have recurring reports to the Board to contact his office and identify all of these reports.

Over the coming weeks, strategies will be developed to present to the Board concerning how to best process these reports on an ongoing basis.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.