

BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SAFETY

February 13, 2018

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Chair - Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Safety

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SUBJECT: Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Safety – February 2018 Update (Item No. 2,

Agenda of August 15, 2017)

On August 15, 2017, your Board approved a <u>motion</u> by Supervisor Kathryn Barger and Supervisor Janice Hahn to establish a Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Safety (Commission). The Commission was tasked with conducting a robust and in-depth analysis of department-specific strategies, challenges, and opportunities presented by Public Safety Realignment (AB 109), Proposition 47, and Proposition 57.

Your Board directed the Countywide Criminal Justice Coordination Committee (CCJCC) to staff the Commission and the Chief Executive Office, Office of County Counsel, and other County departments to provide additional support needed. Your Board also requested that the Commission provide 90-day progress reports to your Board.

Commission Meetings

The first report to your Board, discussing the formation and launch of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Public Safety, was submitted on November 17, 2017. Since then, the Blue Ribbon Commission has convened for three additional meetings (December 4th, December 20th, and January 24th.)

During these meetings, the Commission has continued to address administrative matters, including the creation and adoption of <u>Bylaws</u> to guide how the Commission conducts its business. The Commission also agendized a series of presentations from participating agencies to provide foundational information to members on AB 109, Proposition 47, and Proposition 57 implementation.

Informational presentations on operations, impacts, opportunities, and challenges were provided as outlined below.

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December 20, 2017

The December 20th meeting included a Probation Department <u>presentation</u> on community supervision operations and a Sheriff's Department <u>presentation</u> on custody and patrol operations.

In addition, a recent <u>multi-county study on realignment</u> by the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) was distributed and discussed with the Commission. In establishing the Commission, your Board requested coordination with PPIC's study, which Los Angeles County is participating in.

January 24, 2018

At the January 24th meeting, the Office of Diversion and Reentry (ODR) presented on <u>ODR's</u> diversion and reentry infrastructure. This was followed by a Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership (LARRP) <u>presentation</u> on community-based partnerships

In addition, the County Public Safety Realignment Team's (PSRT) 2017 implementation report to the California Board of State and Community Corrections – submitted to the Board of Supervisors on January 16, 2018 – was distributed and discussed with the Commission. Assembled by impacted departments, the PSRT report summarizes key issues in the area of AB 109 supervision, custody, and rehabilitative/treatment services, as well as key system-wide goals for 2018.

Establishment of Ad Hoc Subcommittees

To help address specific deliverables established by your Board, the Commission established five ad hoc subcommittees at the January 24th meeting. These ad hoc subcommittees are tasked with reviewing and analyzing specific topics and will report back to the full Commission with findings and/or recommendations for consideration.

The ad hoc subcommittees established by the Commission are as follows:

- <u>Subcommittee on Violent Crimes Statutes</u> This subcommittee is tasked with conducting an analysis of violent crimes that may be considered for inclusion under California Constitution Section 32, Article 1. Section 32 was added pursuant to the passage of Proposition 57, establishing that "any person convicted of a non-violent felony offense and sentenced to state prison shall be eligible for parole consideration after completing the full term of his or her primary offense."
- <u>Subcommittee on Flash Incarceration and Revocation Policies</u> This subcommittee is tasked with reviewing and developing recommendations for policies related to the effective use of flash incarceration and revocation of individuals on Post-Release Community Supervision (PRCS) pursuant to AB 109.
- <u>Subcommittee on Very High Risk AB 109 Supervised Persons</u> This subcommittee is tasked with reviewing PRCS cases with very high risk individuals, identifying

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supervision successes and challenges, and providing recommendations to improve treatment outcomes and enhance public safety.

- <u>Subcommittee on the Analysis of Misdemeanants Under Proposition 47</u> This subcommittee is tasked with conducting an analysis of 100 misdemeanants under Proposition 47 with the highest recidivism rates and providing recommendations to improve rehabilitative service impacts and accountability.
- <u>Subcommittee on Model Programs and Best Practices</u> This subcommittee is tasked with reviewing existing services and recommending model programs and best practices to achieve successful outcomes for the justice involved population. The subcommittee will also review resource allocation needs to support program implementation.

The established subcommittees, guided by your Board motion, are complementary pieces to support the Commission's overarching objectives. Their work product – and any findings or recommendations generated – will be brought back to the full Commission for review and consideration by all members prior to submission to your Board.

Next Steps

The Commission has established a standing monthly meeting schedule of the fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Upcoming agendas will include a presentation by the Chief Executive Office on the County's AB 109 budget, as well as Commission discussions based on the work of the ad hoc subcommittees recently established. The Commission will also continue to consult County departments and other stakeholders for additional information that can inform its work and the work of its ad hoc subcommittees.

As previously reported, CCJCC established a webpage to support the Commission and share information among members and with the public. Meeting agendas, presentations, and other material reviewed by the Commission can be accessed through the website at: http://ccjcc.lacounty.gov/Blue-Ribbon-Commission.

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