



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Criminal Justice Council

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, March 24, 2022

12:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting: See top of agenda for
instructions on how to join the webinar or call in by
phone.

A. Call To Order

Staff: Colleen Clark-Bernhardt, Sarah Jensen, Isabel Anadon

Meeting called to order by Chair Eicher at 12:15 pm.

Advisory Members Present: Aaron Chapin, Maureen McCarville, Satya Rhodes-Conway (left at 1:05pm)

Advisory Members Excused: Catherine Dorl, Troy Enger, Todd Meurer, John Patterson

Present 4 - Supervisor ANALIESE EICHER, CARLO ESQUEDA, ISMAEL OZANNE, and JOE PARISI

Excused 2 - KALVIN BARRETT, and VALERIE BAILEY-RIHN

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2021
MIN-694](#)

MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 24, 2022 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL
MEETING

Attachments: [2021 MIN-694](#)

[2.24.22 CJC Registrations](#)

Consideration of the minutes was postponed until the following week as there were not sufficient number of voting members present at both the previous and current meeting.

A motion was made by PARISI, seconded by ESQUEDA, that the Minutes be postponed. The motion carried by a voice vote.

C. Presentations

1. CITIES AND COUNTIES FOR FINE AND FEE JUSTICE

Presented by Colleen Clark-Bernhardt (CJC Coordinator), Sarah Davis (LIFT Wisconsin), and Marsha Mansfield (LIFT Wisconsin)

Review of presentation. Information and interest in the opportunities with participating in the second cohort. Nonprofit and county partnerships on this issue have the potential to be very beneficial.

Discussion ensues. Discussion of some potential opportunities to use citations as an alternative to criminal bookings and charges.

D. Action Items

1. POTENTIAL ACTION: CJC ENDORSES APPLYING TO RECEIVE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND GRANT FUNDS FOR COHORT 2: FINES AND FEE JUSTICE

One registrant on action item.

A motion was made by ESQUEDA, seconded by OZANNE, that the motion to pursue technical assistance be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Advisory Members Present: Aaron Chapin, Maureen McCarville, Satya Rhodes-Conway (left at 1:05pm)

Advisory Members Excused: Catherine Dorl, Troy Enger, Todd Meurer, John Patterson

Present 5 - KALVIN BARRETT, Supervisor ANALIESE EICHER, CARLO ESQUEDA, ISMAEL OZANNE, and JOE PARISI

Excused 1 - VALERIE BAILEY-RIHN

E. Reports to Committee

1. RESPONSES REGARDING SUSTAINABLE PRACTICE AND POLICY AFTER COVID-19 PANDEMIC

One registrant on report to committee.

Topic: Brief reports regarding what policies have been created or modified due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and what is and is not sustainable for long-term policy and criminal justice system innovation.

County Executive: Focus on policies related to children, youth, and families, such as reducing placements for youth by not allowing sanctions placements, through strict screening for intake. Adaptation to virtual workspace when possible, and determining what is beneficial remotely vs. in-person. For rural areas, virtual mental health services have been very helpful.

Mayor: Determining what work can be done remotely and in-person across agencies. Emphasis on development of the CARES program; trying to maximize response time and capacity. Strong focus on addressing homelessness; trying to expand capacity and create space for physical distancing. This is being done through collaboration with the county and development of tiny home communities on a more permanent basis. The City is also investing in violence prevention and in youth services, including funding housing for youth aging out of foster care. Brief discussion about CARES; data will be publicly available soon.

Clerk of Courts: See attached memo. Need to return to pre-pandemic staffing in-person because the office is public-facing and requires a lot of paper files. Remote initial appearances are continuing, although in-person appearances are necessary some times. Potentially increasing the number of branches to address the backlog in cases.

Chiefs of Police Association: Redistributing staffing to maintain capacity for patrol. Some use of phone reports rather than in-person calls in specific cases. Need to maintain in-person training, as people are feeling less engaged online, which might undermine training.

[2021 RPT-984](#) COURTS RESPONSE REGARDING SUSTAINABLE PRACTICE AND POLICY AFTER THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Attachments: [2021 RPT-984](#)

2. [2021 RPT-1003](#) Review of 2021 RES-320

Attachments: [2021 RES-320](#)

Brief review of RES-320, which will be discussed in more detail in the future.

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

Next Meeting: April 28th at 12:15pm

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

CJC Research Analyst will be hired soon.

I. Adjourn

A motion was made by OZANNE, seconded by BARRETT, that the Meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Sarah Jensen, pending council approval