



CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Clark County, Nevada

Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2022 – Webex Meeting, 1400 hours

Attendees:

Andrew Walsh, Asst. Sheriff – LVMPD
Belinda Harris, Judge - NLVJC
Christopher Lalli, Assistant District Attorney
Damon Harris, Financial Officer – Clark County
Darin Imlay, Public Defender-Clark County
Diana Sullivan, Judge – LVJC
Fred Meyer, Deputy Chief - CCDC
Jack Eslinger, Court Administrator - LVMC
Jennifer Wood, Supervisor - CCDC
Jessica Gurley, Court Administrator – LVJC
John Piro, Chief Public Defender – Clark County
Jonathan Clark, Captain - CCDC
JoNell Thomas, Special Public Defender
Linda Bell, Chief Judge – District Court
Marcie McMahill, Director – CCDC
Martina Bauhaus, Asst. Gen Counsel - LVMPD

Melisa De La Garza, Judge - LVJC
Melissa Saragosa, Chief Judge - LVJC
Richard Segerblom, County Commissioner
Sam Bateman, Judge - Henderson
Sandra Molina, DTSC – CCDC
Steve Grierson, Court Executive Officer - DC
Steven Wolfson – District Attorney
Ta’ Mara McNulty, Analyst - CCDC
Terri March, Court Administrator – NLVJC
Tierra Jones, Judge – LVDC
Tom Eberly, Justice Management Institute
Victor Miller, Judge – Boulder City
William Teel, Captain – CCDC
Yolanda King, County Manager

Opening Remarks and Objectives

- Melissa Saragosa identified the Full and Associate members of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Update on Subcommittees

- Enhanced Services for Justice Involved Individuals with Behavioral Health and Homelessness Issues Subcommittee (Linda Bell – Chair)
 - No updates were available.
 - Bita Yeager was named as the future Chair of this sub-committee.
 - The sub-committee was asked to meet before the February 24th Executive Committee meeting to provide an update on goals, current work, and any recommendations.

- Battery Domestic Violence Subcommittee (Jeff Wells – Chair)
 - No updates were available.
 - The sub-committee was asked to meet before the February 24th Executive Committee meeting to provide an update on goals, current work, and any recommendations.

- Racial Justice Subcommittee (Richard Segerblom – Chair, Tierra Jones – Vice-chair)
 - No updates were available.
 - The sub-committee was asked to meet before the February 24th Executive Committee meeting to provide an update on goals, current work, and any recommendations.

- Pretrial Subcommittee (Melisa DeLaGarza, Marcie McMahill – Co-chairs)
 - This subcommittee is meeting regularly to discuss needs regarding the implementation of AB424 to include a workload assessment (assisted by the Justice Management Institute and the Safety Justice Challenge Grant) and the resources needed to accomplish the goals/needs of outlying courts.
 - There has been increased communication between Las Vegas Justice Court and the jails.
 - Results of the workload assessment and a direction for this subcommittee will be presented at the next meeting.

- AB424 (Christopher Lalli – Chair)
 - Judge Sam Bateman has had a productive meeting with the DA and PD regarding Henderson’s plans to implement AB424. Plans are unable to be finalized until staffing issues are worked out.
 - North Las Vegas Justice Court has met with NLV Detention Center. They will meet with CCDC and then with the DA and PD.
 - Rural Justice Courts are interested in discussing their plans to address AB424 with the DA and PD. Victor Miller says the rural courts have eight courthouses and eight judges to coordinate and are hoping to finalize their plans next week.

- The DA will cover AB424 appearances in the same way they cover Initial Appearance Court for Las Vegas Justice Court. Case Assessment attorneys will be used to make screening decisions at the time of these hearings. This will benefit both the jails and defendants. Video will be used, and details are still being worked out. Staffing requests have been made to the County.
- The PD will use a combination of regular teams/tracks and the expansion of the IA Court team. They are waiting for the courts to finalize plans before determining team scheduling.

Topics

- JMI Evaluation of CJCC
 - Tom Eberly said there will be an assessment of the CJCC. 8-10 people who are involved in the CJCC will be interviewed. Recommendations will be made to increase the effectiveness of the CJCC based on the results of the assessment.

- Traffic Warrants
 - AB116 requires all traffic warrants to be recalled by January 2023.
 - LVJC recalled all traffic warrants at the beginning of the pandemic.
 - Henderson and North Las Vegas are in the planning stages of how they will comply with AB116.
 - Boulder City plans to hire additional part time staff to accommodate AB116 and other legislative requirements.
 - There have been conversations with NCJIS to remove warrants in batches rather than individually.

- Status of Positions Created/Funded by SJC Grant
 - Darin Imlay said the PD Office has completed interviews for both proposed Social Worker positions and are making offers next week.
 - Christopher Lalli said that Mike Lee at the DA Office will be the administrator of the Grant until the position is ready to be handed off to a full time CJCC Coordinator (Lee will provide information and data.) A candidate for the Graphic Specialist position has been identified and is currently undergoing a background investigation with an expected start date in late February.
 - Melissa Saragosa will be working with Jeff Wells to ensure there is appropriate language in the job description for the CJCC Coordinator position. Tom Eberly will share a job description developed by the SJC team.

- Discussion of Goals for CJCC in 2022
 - The Executive Board will work to identify and establish clear short-term and long-term goals. Attention will be given to identify effective subcommittees and to examine their goals. The Board welcomes everyone's ideas. Please email

ideas and suggestions to Melissa.saragosa@clarkcountynv.gov or A5994W@lvmpd.com.

- Steve Wolfson suggested a subcommittee to determine whether there is a case backlog in Justice Court and District Court, and if there is a backlog, how to deal with it.
- John Piro suggested looking at funding of Specialty Courts.
- Tierra Jones suggested looking at a backlog in Competency Court.

- Meeting Schedule for 2022
 - March 24, 2022, 2:00PM – Location TBD
 - May 19, 2022, 2:00PM – Location TBD
 - July 21, 2022, 2:00PM – Location TBD
 - September 22, 2022, 2:00PM – Location TBD
 - November 17, 2022, 2:00PM – Location TBD
 - Executive Board meetings will be set at the February 24, 2022 meeting.

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Wrap Up

- New Business
 - No New Business

****Next meeting will be held on March 24, 2022, at 1400 hours.****

Meeting adjourned @ 1517 hours.