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P **Public Safety Cluster Transcription** 19:43

Good morning, everyone.

Welcome to the public safety Cluster Agenda review meeting for October 22nd, calling in meeting to order.

First, we'll start with the self introductions from the board offices.

1st district.

Good morning, everybody and Martinez, supervisor Solis and justice deputy.

All right, second district.

Good morning, everyone.

Natalie Ramos surprise Mitchell senior justice deputy and I have Dante Franklin, who's our deputy, and melody of Philly, who's our assistant deputy will be online.

Thank you very much, third District.

Good morning, Nick, libel justice deputy.

I believe I'm being.

4th district.

Good morning, justice and mental health deputy.

You in the chair of the districts.

Good morning. Sandra Croxen for supervisor Barger and I'll let my colleagues introduce themselves.

Hi everyone.

Leslie Green, New assistant deputy everyone, are you Nikki Terras, UFC fellow.

All right.

Thank you very much.

There's no other introductions move to informational items.

The first one to note that this meeting is being transcribed. Since there is a motion on it.

So again, first one number, letter of Item 2A is it four letter from the Sheriff's Department approving the model master Agreement for polygraph examination services.

Are there any questions?

Just step this on this item.

I have a question Department, are you online to answer questions?

Please unmute for item 2A.

27:23

Yes we are online.

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Public Safety Cluster Transcription 27:25

Go ahead.

Hi, good morning.

So just more and I don't know if this is necessarily for the department or generally, but for the IT said that the funding is from the general Fund.

Are these funds that are already in your operating budget, or are those funds that you're asking for?

To be allocated for this.

Department.

27:53

The funds are are in our budget already.

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Public Safety Cluster Transcription 27:58

Within the department. Sorry, you're breaking.

28:00

Within the within the Sheriff's Department yes.

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Public Safety Cluster Transcription 28:04

OK.

Alright, that's my question. Thank you.

28:06

You're welcome.

Thank you.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 28:09

Yeah, Lily, I'm just curious.

How how often are you all using polygraph tests?

And kind of in what context? If you can just go over the use of this tool.

28:27

Pretty much we're testing on average about 300 new applicants a month.

So our polygraph examiners conduct 2 exams each day Monday to Friday.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 28:43

OK.

Thank you.

28:45

OK.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 28:48

OK, if you are no other questions, move to next item next items. Item 2B2B is a four letter conservation authorizing the chief probation officer and District Court to enter into a subord services agreement with the city of LA for reimbursement for the Community law enforce.

Recovery program.

Are there any questions for this one?

Are you on probation?

LH Latasha Howard 29:12

Yes, it's me, Tasha, from contracts and grants, we have Gina Burns, our Chief Fiscal officer, Stacy Lopez, our administrative deputy and Michael Wade, the project director.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 29:24

Hi, good morning.

Can you talk about how, if at all, this fits into the mutual aid that the chief has been working to get off the ground for staffing?

LH **Latasha Howard** 29:39

Michael, can you take that question?

MW **Michael Wade** 29:43

Sure, this is completely different than the mutual aid request that the chief has, that that's something that's relatively new with a clear program, goes back years. So this is something that has already been in place prior to this. This mutual aid relationship.

P **Public Safety Cluster Transcription** 30:05

Thank you.

It's let me figure out how I'm gonna access. So for this program, how are you all? How have you all utilized these funds here to rid neighborhood St. gang violence? Like how is the probation department doing that with these funds?

LH **Latasha Howard** 30:28

Gina, would you like to take that one regarding the partially offsetting of the salaries? Let me just double check that Gina's online. Give me just a second.

GB **Gina Byrnes** 30:46

Mute.

LH **Latasha Howard** 30:47

Oh.

GB **Gina Byrnes** 30:49

It basically the there's nine I guess locations or they if they the 9 deputies. Work with. I think Michael can explain that part really quick and then I'll talk about the funding.

MW **Michael Wade** 31:05

Sure. So right now we have, I think there's eight active deputies that are assigned to LAPD stations.

They are usually paired or partnered with those specific stations. Gang enforcement details detail.

And provide information and and other services, probation related probation, information on probationers that they may come in contact or other officers from the station may come in contact with.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 31:35

How are you all sorry.

GB Gina Byrnes 31:35

So I was just gonna say that the funding is only we have budgeted funding of \$250,000 and the officers of course make.

Probably it's our actual costs are about 1.2 million.

So just offsets that a little bit.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 31:57

OK.

So it just essentially these funds are the, yeah, there's other things, grant, but it's not. But these funds are offsetting the cost for those.

Probation employees to go where deputies to go and work with LAPD gang enforcement detail.

That's a fair estimate.

Of what they're doing.

GB Gina Byrnes 32:21

Yes, correct. Correct.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 32:24

OK, how how is their work?

Like what is it that they're actually?

I understand they're working and providing like probationary information probably, but like is there any measurement of like if that's successful or impactful to the?

Goal of this program, which is like to I guess Grid St. gang like how how? How is that successful? What's the impact?

LH **Latasha Howard** 32:55

Michael, would you like to take that question?

MW **Michael Wade** 32:59

Sure. The the deputies, they keep monthly statistical reports.

They they they push out statistic reports every every month.

I don't have those numbers directly in front of me as of right now.

One of the things that they do is.

Provide information to probation officer a record if there's any.

Contact any any, let's say negative behaviors, but they report back to the office P OS regarding what their clients may be doing in the field if necessary. If necessary they will impose probation holes and get the probationer back in front of the court if there's something.

Egregious to let the court know immediately the probationer the probationers behavior.

And activities in the community.

P **Public Safety Cluster Transcription** 33:54

OK.

Thank you. Thank you. Very fine.

Other questions?

Here no.

All right, if there's no other questions, are there any public comments for either item 2A or 2B?

Please speak up.

Raise your hand on teams if you're online.

So basically, then we move to the next item which are the four motion from SC3 supporting Youth center programming. And as you can see on the 1st, on the third first Community Investment Committee.

Excuse me.

Cool. Thank you everyone.

So this motion essentially is just adding dyd as a voting member to the CFCI

committee, I think given.

The.

Process for which csci allocates funds.

Organizations that CFCI funding goes towards, I think it's really important to add the youth county voice on to the committee.

I. Hey, you know, we've been working with Jake on a bit.

Adam's here.

I think David may be online, but I know du ID's having a retreat today as well.

But you know, as we have dove into this as well.

Well, I think we all know that.

There are some.

I wouldn't say issues with the committee, I would say.

It remained it kind of lives in the shadows. I think some of us really work on the inside of who's on the Commission, the appointing processes, et cetera.

So I know folks may have some interest in a more comprehensive look at that structure.

And talking with with Jacot administrator who works over at that institution.

Come up. But this motion simply is just adding dyd as a voting member to the committee.

There's not a youth county voice there are.

You see people voices, but that youth, county voices.

And that is all and happy until the questions.

All right.

Or anything. I had a question.

So.

Far on that, there are leaders on that there is.

There's youth, CBO representation.

I believe that position maybe vacant right now.

VH Vincent Holmes 36:30

How?

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 36:30

But in in the charter bylaws.

You are sorry.

Oh, Vincent, thank you. I do.

VH Vincent Holmes 36:38

Hi. Hi, Vincent Holmes with dyg.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 36:38

Oh, hi, Vincent.

VH Vincent Holmes 36:40

I'm on the call as well.

How are you, Steven?

So there, there actually are youth representatives on the committee. The young people have not been actively participating in the work of CFC Advisory Committee for over a year, largely because I think they felt a little intimidated, you know, by the process. And so part of the directive of.

The motion is for dyd to sort of assist and consult with those young people.

To make them feel more comfortable and to make sure they have a meaningful participation.

And in the Cfc advisory committee.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 37:12

Yeah, and it says community voices that exist, but there are no official departments representing the counties that are solely responsible for using.

I guess my I guess my other question is because is just getting added right with this motion, so how would they be best be able to advise the view from how to participate on something that hasn't been a project before I guess.

Or is it?

That's a good question.

I I I think it's a process.

I think that DUID will come in with sort of.

County equities and not only have voting membership on their own, but I think as they get involved in the process, also be able to just.

You know, maybe be an extra nudge for the youth.

What I just know that even for folks on the committee, it can be a little bit

complicated.

So we have someone who's new to it.

I don't know if that necessarily makes sense to me.

I get it cleared, but you're looking to see if there might be more senior folks or entities within the budget board.

Could be that. Sure provide them.

Yeah, I think that's fair.

I think that like all county commissions, we end up having issues with.

Like condense and yeah work put in.

So it I would say that's definitely a structural problem.

Not that's my only big rack.

Hasn't met in quite some time.

But yeah, OK.

You want to see something?

Yeah, Adam.

Yeah, please.

And David or Danielle, I don't know if you're on slash, if you have anything to contribute, please feel free to like.

I'll go first, I suppose.

Good morning, Adam Bettino, senior deputy director at Jaycott.

So thank you, Nick.

For the motion, we do believe rather than doing some of these things piece meal, there's some additional things that we would like to add to the motion.

We are 100% in favor of adding dyd to the committee.

It makes total sense.

They should have been added. In fact, sooner and and Nick, you made a really good point about sort of we can call them issues. I think it's fair with the committee at this point when we look back at some of the sort of initiating motions for the committ.

To establish.

The committee.

There's some language in there that clearly needs to be cleaned up.

Jacob wasn't even a department yet, nor was dyd in fact.

And so one of the things that we're proposing is that dyd not be just a new number, but that it actually replace the youth justice reimagined.

There's a there's an appointee from the youth Justice Reimagine Consulting team,

and I've asked and asked.

I don't know if that still exists and so dyd should replace that body because they're now a department we just recently found. Got an appointee from the Youth Commission.

So they'll be on board in the next couple weeks. And Annabelle, you raise it. A really important question about adding new membership. One of the things that we're seeking to accomplish in the next few meetings is to do a little bit more education about roles and responsibilities.

One of the things that we would like to see added to this motion.

Is a call out for Jaycod to actually be pushed to revise the bylaws?

We can't do that without the committee. We don't want to violate our bylaws, but at least it gives us a deadline to come back and report to you all about how the bylaws have been revised up to this point, we've had discussion about term limits we've had discuss.

About maybe one of the things that you raised about who is who are the actual appointing authorities for some of these seats and.

Trying to figure out if there's a way to clean clean up some of that language so it's really clear as we get towards term limits and as we get towards some of those other things that we can go directly to those appointing authorities.

I know there's not a desire necessarily to Add all of that to this motion, but we really feel that rather than piece mealing, there's a couple of additions that we've sent to your office that that if considered, you know, we can at least move forward in a meaning.

Way, and I think they're general enough.

That it pushes jod through the committee.

To really take care of this business in the next quarter so that we're not just punting, the other thing that seems to happen with this committee is new information comes and then there's a reaction and we have to quickly push through, you know, legislative issues and it's it.

Difficult with all these governance issues with all these roles and responsibility, confusion when we actually seek to legislate and make really important decisions about funding going out, there's confusion. Right and so.

There's an education tour that we Jake had need to be responsible for to ensure that people are very clear about what their.

Roles are, we think if we can add a little bit of language to this motion, that'll at least

give us deadlines and and hold us accountable to making sure that we're doing that through the K the other thing I will add.

Thank you, Adam.

We will have to look at the the structure either way, due to measure G.

So I think it's a conversation between.

I think it's an internal conversation from our team and also.

With my colleagues about if we wanna do that right now.

What's working on this? Hopefully not.

VH Vincent Holmes 42:51

Hi, this is Danielle Vappi. I'm on with Vincent Holmes.

Adam, I appreciate that information and I understand that there has in fact been issues with the committee.

I.

I'm wondering if you have a specific timeline.

My concern is that it's been my understanding for a while that there needed to be some revisions and some changes.

And I think for us, waiting doesn't feel right unless you.

Clear timeline and I think one of the other things is what you mentioned is that there have been multiple people who have not been participating.

We would like to be able to be participating members to be a part of the RE envisioning of the committee, so I don't know if one thing necessarily has something to do with the other, right?

I think having us as a as a member of the committee to be able to support some of that revisioning.

And some of the work on on cfc would be important.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 43:51

Yeah, I I appreciate that, Danielle.

And it's it's actually an and it's not waiting to add dyd while we do those things.

It's adding dyd and giving the committee some deadlines to address some of the concerns.

So if the motion moves forward, we're adding dyd to the committee.

And then it's also there's additional language in there for the other things that the other business that the committee needs to to take up if that if that makes sense.

VH Vincent Holmes 44:15

OK, OK.

P Public Safety Cluster Transcription 44:17

There would be no delay in adding dyd if this would pass.

But then we would set forth some some timelines with the committee to get some things approved.

Can you talk a little bit more or just understand your?

You mentioned that there's a youth justice reimagine position on committee. And is it just that they have not been attending?

Well, I'm curious.

Why you want to write you to replace that position that that seat has been vacant for some time?

OK, over a year.

The Youth Commission position was also vacant for a long time, but we just got somebody added there and then we're we're working really hard to fill one of the other seats as well.

But that that has been vacant, at least until I've been in Jaycod, which is more than 18 months.

And who who appoints that person?

That's one of the that is one of the big questions at hand.

And we kind of discovered this in having these conversations with Adam that there remain of some very.

Abstract processes around how one could be added to it or how one could be appointed.

No, that doesn't.

So I guess is it worth exploring that and figuring out how to appoint that person and working with the Justice Commission to appoint someone in addition to adding DID or I think I think we want to add DYD either way. Yeah. But it is absolutely worth exploring all.

Of these other issues, and I think so, the way that.

At least Steve and I are thinking of this motion kind of like Adam was saying.

If this moves forward, it will add to period.

And then the next question is how much do we want to add here or would we want

to then do something separate that pulls in some of these bigger issues because it was throughout this process that we've learned about a lot of more structural issues that definitely we.

Would like to see addressed and I think the question is just do we do it when this motion comes to the board meeting or do we do some more digging and do it in, you know, a few weeks?

And and just to be clear, the youth justice reimagined consulting team. I don't know if that's a thing anymore.

OK, right.

And so I've asked council about CEO.

I've reached out to our team internally who has a little bit more history, so if we could even get to the bottom of that, right.

So it's rather than waiting for this team who may not exist anymore because I I do believe now that dyd is a department.

I don't know that that work would continue necessarily. And so dyd is effectively.

The embodiment of that team.

And so they should just take their position on the committee rather than creating yet another position, if that makes sense.

Are there other positions that are kind of in a similar vein that you don't know if there's so in existence or?

I what I would say is and Nick just mentioned this when we're looking through the initiating motion, there's it's not, it's we have appointees from those groups.

It's unclear who the appointing authority is for those groups, but so. So, for example, we have.

Lhasa, who has put forward a committee member who has lived experience as as being on house right? So that makes sense now. Wassa's gonna go away.

The other one that that is confusing is honestly, I think it's it's too involved to even explain, but it's a consortium of community LED organizations without a sort of governing body and they have appointing authorities.

So it feels almost self appointed.

And that just needs to be clarified, because if there is a vacancy, my team needs to know, who do we go to. And that's what's happened with this youth justice realignment, or sorry Reimagin consulting. We've tried to reach out to somebody to point somebody for for many months.

And we've gotten nowhere.

So without clarity, I'm really appointing authority is if it's a board office, it's very easy, right?

If we're having attendance issues, we can reach out and say, hey, you know, we're having attendance issues or we need an alternate or whatever. Some of these other ones are sort of nebulous and and it just does need to be cleaned up. And I would say this.

Is kind of similar to.

I guess the motion from a few weeks ago about the probation discretionary funds just needing to like set forth a policy.

Like to be very clearly spelled out, and it's very clear that there's a need to do that here as well. Just just to know.

But back to my earlier point, I think the question is just, are we going to incorporate that here or are we going to put it just?

I have a question.

So I I think this is great.

I do think that they should be there, particularly I think it's been said multiple times like.

Jaycod and Dyd weren't really in existence when this came to fruition, and I'm sure there'll be more changes when Adam about Lhasa and like you know, who could have foretold that right?

And there may be other things right? Coalition may come and go or whatever that may be.

I I think for me the only for the second piece which is outside of this, I think this is great.

Is the structuring. I do think that that needs to happen.

I do think there needs to be some clear processing, not only for.

Us to know, but also for the communities to understand.

Kind of what was going where things are going and how things are going and when people get on these, I'll get on this specific committee.

What is Intel's and that they're clear about that?

I do think that that in my opinion, I think it does take some more time and I think that's something that needs to be kind of flushed out not only with J pod as kind of one of the administrators, but also the committee.

I mean, there's a lot of people who have been on that committee and probably have seen it from the beginning to to now, and I would hate for us to, you know, come up

with something here or, you know, whatever that may be and not engage them on. That and make that a very clear and.

Community driven process for that.

I think that's the nature of that committee.

So I I.

I think it would be best to have that lead by the Committee on what someone I, of course, with the assistance of J pod. But my whole thing is I don't think that we and maybe people feel differently, but I don't think the the board offices should be. Dictating kind of like what that process looks like.

I think it should be very clear to or it should incorporate and be led by the Community.

On what it is that they want to see, how they want to appoint people.

Looking at these things, what I know there's some that need to kind of just like structurally be changed.

I maybe board up a stupid route, but or J pod, but I do think there's a lot I I do think that voice doesn't need to be.

You know, undermined.

It's completely in anyways.

I'm saying that I'm not saying that's happening.

No, no. Yeah, no.

I completely agree with that, and in fact any any language that we would add here does exactly what you just described.

So it it pushes jpod to go back to the committee.

Per our bylaws, we have to have two third vote to change anything in the bylaws anyway.

And so it forces us to go back and and do that process on a tighter timeline. Not that we can't do that anyways.

We don't need a motion to do that, but there's some other things too in there that we added around.

A little bit more commitment from County Council.

They've been super supportive recently, but I think what they saw at the last meeting was that this is a very big deal. Anytime we have these large funding decisions, the parliamentarian aspect of it, while we try to legislate so there's.

There's some.

There's some call out there for some additional support from council, but it really

does push us to go back to the committee to come up with a series of recommendations that we would then present rather than the them taking it the other way around. That would never be.

Our intention.

Because I think what you're saying is like you need sort of that push to sort of get the ball rolling and advancing so that it keeps sort of moving on.

But I think it's probably gonna accomplish what you're saying, which is like they they need the support to move it. Taking it to the committee to like.

Get the buy in from everybody who's involved and really get something going and not delay. I hear that.

Hi, good morning. Pierre, where I'm at with it.

Yes, that that means that that that we honor that for the Community and maintain that space and protect that space to being community LED, particularly where I feel like I've said it most of the time, but we're utilizing the space it's like.

A.

A vision into like the budgeting and you know, community based power to.

Guides move our budget decisions, particularly as it relates to CSCI. And just like we need to iron that and continue to keep that work.

I know you know that.

I just need to say that. Thank you.

Economy said it was a two third vote leader to change the bylaws of the committee, yes.

And what are the numbers of current vacancies?

Do you have?

I believe we have two vacancies.

So 21 out of 23, correct. OK. If you count this.

You've just read Magic Consulting team, sure.

OK. We'll be in touch, OK.

Thank you.

Are there any public comments for this item this motion?

Please speak up or raise your hand on things.

OK.

See, now we move to the next item. Next item on the presentation. There are no presentations this week. So we move to general public comment.

Are there any comments this week?

Please speak up or raise your hand on teams.

Facing we adjourn this meeting and we post sessions.

Too, thank you very much.

● **Dardy Chen** stopped transcription