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>>: Can you hear us? Can you hear us?

>>: We have quorum. Yes. Hold on. I have an echo. Echo. Echo. Microphone check. Test. The system. Hello. Yes. All right. There we go. Fantastic.

MEMBER STEELE: Welcome. It is so good to see your face. I feel like it has been a month of Sundays since we have seen each other last. There is a lot to have covered. I am excited.

Teams that have been with us exiting stage right. Let us read the meeting disclosures.

>>: Thank you. This meeting is being recorded. You consent to being recorded. This is a public meeting. Subject to the brown act. Conversations and statements are not visible to people on the telephone and who can't participate, the chat function is limited to tech assistance.

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MEMBER STEELE: Thank you so much. We want to start with a land acknowledgment. The land beneath our feet is the land of the people that belonged to LA county for thousands of years.

The [FOREIGN LANGUAGE] people. The [FOREIGN LANGUAGE] tribe. And the [FOREIGN LANGUAGE] people.

These native people understood and respected the land. Connected and respected the four-legged creatures that roamed the earth. The winged ones. Everything in the ocean. Never to take more than they could use. Always give back to mother earth. These people are still here today. Still giving back to community that surrounds us. I want to give a love and acknowledgment to those who are the ancestors. Thank you.

Can we please bring up the community agreements? I think we have a copy for everyone to read through. Let us read them together. Be respect full of the diverse voices. Remain open minded. It is on the second page on the back of the agenda.

>>: Be mindful of power dynamics and the disenfranchisement of black communities. Defer to community throughout this process.

>>: Be mindful of the diverse audience you are presenting to. Speak with clarity.

>>: Be collaborative.

>>: Remember why we are here. To center the brown, black, and Indigenous communities and other communities most impacted by the carceral system.

>>: Transparency and follow through.

>>: Be intentional about allowing space for additional voices to be uplifted.

>>: Be an active participant.

>>: Let equity lead the way.

>>: Make spaces for youth voices.

>>: Allow people to finish during public comment.

>>: Review community agreements before every meeting. Amend as needed.

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>>: Begin meetings with a land acknowledgment statement respecting the people of the land we now call LA county. Can we call the roll?

>>: We will now conduct the roll call. We ask all advisory committee members to be ready before your name is called to be ready to announce your attendance. If you can't unmute, please raise your hand on the Zoom platform to assign cohost privileges to you. You can unmute by pressing star six. Raise your hand with star nine. We will now start roll call. When I call your name, please say present.

MEMBER ARMSTEAD: Present.

MEMBER CARBAJAL: Present.

MEMBER CASTILLO: Present.

MEMBER CRUNK: Present.

MEMBER EARLEY: Present.

MEMBER FERRER: Here for Ferrer.

MEMBER GARCIA: Present.

MEMBER GHALY: Here for Ghaly.

MEMBER LOBIANCO: Present.

MEMBER SCHOONOVER: Alternate present.

MEMBER SOTO: Present.

MEMBER STEELE: Present.

MEMBER STEVENS: Present wonk alternate present.

>>: This meeting has reached quorum.

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MEMBER STEELE: We will take review of the minutes from the August 18th meeting. Can I ask a question? Because of the attendance policy, how do we track last meetings? Did we not have quorum?

>>: In the attendance policy it notes quorum can on the be reached in-person first. Last meeting was technically not quorum. The minutes voted on last meeting.

MEMBER STEELE: Were not approved. We have to look at those minutes. The minutes for the 17th also, does that meeting count?

>>: No. It was presentations. No action taken.

MEMBER STEELE: Some of the members already heard about this. I want to make sure I bring it up to everyone else. Over the last few meetings, since we came back in person and the passing of AB2449, there were new rules set up that moved away from meeting virtually.

It provided people the opportunity under emergency to be able to meet virtually if there was an emergency that you could identify. Other than that, we are required to be in person. There are some of us who have gone beyond it. Some people are at the number. Some people have not missed a meeting at all.

In order for there to be quorum, the quorum has to be in the meeting the 17th, some people were in the space. To be a quorum met, there has to be enough members to do business. We have not had this issue in person. We want to lift up our friends for hosting us last week. Really opening the door to be thought full about what we need to do if we will have offsite meetings that are not here in this space. What things will need to be recommended. I think we will talk about what that looks like. I want to say, moving forward, be mindful of your attendance.

If you want to get in contact to let us know if there will be some issues to give you some guidance. Any questions on that?

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>>: I wanted to thank JCOD. Myles. The team for all the support in the remote meeting. Next time we have to do it anyway because of the renovation. It takes a lot of effort. Thanks for attending the tour. Appreciated your time. For as hard as it was, I want to push for these are important meetings to have. I think as we work out the kinks appreciating everyone's commitment.

We missed you but we have a good opportunity with Member Lewis.

MEMBER STEELE: I was on vacation. The minutes are for August 17th. Do we have access to the previous meeting? We will have to table that to approve the minutes. Do I need to make a motion on that? We will make sure the minutes are added to the agenda for the next meeting.

>>: Got it.

>>: For min information, what number is quorum?

MEMBER STEELE: 23 members. We need at least 12. I did Item 7 on the agenda. We will move into the presentations now. Got it. Moving into the presentations. We want to start with LA county chief executive office for the CFCI planning timeline. Just some context. As many of you heard, year three recommendations have been approved.

That is a big deal. The three years that we set up for we have done. Now we are entering a new space of thinking through what we need to do for year one dollars. Many have not been put out yet. A good amount have been there with the TPA.

We have to think through, what do we want to do for reallocation? The budget is office coming today to talk through some of the items to take into consideration. I want to turn that over to them now. They are joining us online.

>>: Good afternoon. CEO. Can you hear me? I will share screen. Please bear with me.

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MEMBER STEELE: Last month, you may have seen this. We are repeating it again. We didn't have quorum. We want to make sure this is clear. We want to make sure everyone is on the same page.

>>: Thank you. I provided the presentation at last month's meeting. I will do it again today. If I am speaking too quickly or if you need me to go back and explain anything, let me know. I am sharing my screen right now. Just for the introduction, I will share the full legal-size document. As I get through some of the detail, I will Zoom in so you see the detail of each of the points.

MEMBER STEELE: I was going to ask that.

>>: My eyes need work as well. Key one king. CEO budget. Justice unit. This worksheet and presentation came about after commissioner Lewis's comment in the July meeting about whether or not the advisory committee should start a new allocation process this Fall to prepare for year one allocation four.

By then, I mean the initial hundred million allocated in fiscal year 2021. The fourth installment of the initial 100. I will walk through some of the detail. I will make sure I blow up the Zoom as much as possible. This is a nap shot looking at the first 100 million of ongoing funding that came into CFCI in year one. This doesn't take into account the hundred-million-dollar payment and the 88.3 million for year three.

This is just a snapshot of one year of funding. A single CFCI vendor with a contract of 400,000 per year for three years. 1.2 million total funding. We made up the 400,000 per year figure. It is easily divisible into four quarters. It will make sense in a minute when I get down to the timeline below.

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We know that contracts between amity and year one were on March 31. Each has a 36-month term ended March 31st of 2026. Three years after the initial execution of the contract. Not necessarily three years after the money was first budgeted on July 1st of 2021.

MEMBER STEELE: One more time. I want to make sure that is understood.

>>: You could say the 36-month clock for the year one TPA programs begins March 31st of 2023. That is when the 118 contracts were signed. A few may have been later. They were signed on March 31st as a whole. We would start the 36-month clock on that date and look three years out to March 31st of 2026 to evaluate the programs.

Then to come to a decision on whether the programs should receive continued funding with the next installment of the year one CFCI funding. The principle applies to the 18.5 million through the TPA and 80 million through county departments for year one.

The distinction is that the TPA programs are a little more predictable. Contracts were all signed on the same day. Services started ramping up after. The county programs have varying start dates. The clock started counting for the department programs when they were launched and began providing services.

My staff and Member Armstead's staff are working together to make a list of the starting programs. They will have to start looking at the 36-month dates as well. The same rules would apply. The dates will be staggered. Some departments had program staff and contracts that were ready to execute and perhaps were able to start their programs earlier.

Some needed more time. They may have started later. I will start increasing the Zoom a little bit. I will switch to the hand tool. In the boxes below. One column. You can see ABCD is one fiscal year. July 1st of 2021 to June 30th of 2022. The second fiscal year is columns EFG and H.

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The third is 2324. The year now. Columns IJK and L. We move forward to the next three fiscal years.

We wanted to fit it more easily into this chart. You see the fiscal years have months. July to September. October to December. April and June. Before I get into full detail, all the recipients have to report the qualitative and quantitative metrics. For TPA, the 118 vendors have to report metrics every week. I am not aware of how frequently JCOD brings the reports to the committee.

MEMBER STEELE: Did you say every week?

>>: That are encouraged to input data into the amity system weekly. It is encouraged to get into the rhythm. It is a monthly.

MEMBER STEELE: Thank you. I appreciate that.

>>: I will work offline to confirm that. I thought I looked at one of the executed contracts. We can talk offline and clarify.

MEMBER LEWIS: It is probably client related that would happen monthly.

>>: I believe that is the case. I will double check.

>>: Is it possible to see what you are requiring?

>>: One of the goals is what data we want. We don't want to be overly burdensome. We want you to have enough information to make good decisions. It is moving. We want to improve with each cycle.

They are screening for round two. Those contracts contain the data we want. Each should build upon each other so we have an alignment. We need to figure out what data do we want from departments. Information to make decision about how funding should be moving forward. We want to support people. Before we say, they are automatically offered, we figure out what supports we need to deliver the organization.

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MEMBER STEELE: Go ahead.

>>: One of the things that is challenging, I think evaluations need to be put into context. We are looking at ten-year outcomes. Versus a sick population. The challenge is to define it clear enough with the long and short. Be clear on what we are assessing. It will be really hard I want to call that out. The risk is we defund programs that could have a long-term impact.

MEMBER STEELE: Thank you for that. As someone who has been a grantee, I would think this is a lot of reporting. I have a lot of faith in community organizations. We look at the timelines. They are not on the same timeline.

I think weekly reporting does need to be defined. That is time and resources they have to use that they don't have to report. I am more concerned with amity reporting. We should look more into those reports.

It would of been nice to have whoever was giving this presentation to be in person. If you could break up your slide into two pages. That is a lot of mess in there.

MEMBER STEELE: I would ask. You have an excel sheet of the same elements. Is there a way to see a cleaner version. It is hard to follow you visually. That was one of the requests. The hope is we will come back and digest a little better. Is there a way to look at a cleaner version of this timeline?

>>: This is a PDF based on a PowerPoint presentation. I can share it with the judge of put it in the chat window. Everything in the bottom is based in excel. The rest is text and PowerPoint.

MEMBER STEELE: Got it.

MEMBER LEWIS: I want to have a conversation about all the CFCI dollars and include conversations about the departments and third-party administrator. I hope we can agendize

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talking about data. Looking at the nine categories, we may need some work groups to bring it back. I hope we can figure out the work plan. I think it will require some work offline.

MEMBER STEELE: I am following along about the evaluation piece. We are not even getting a conversation for all the dollars. I put some boxes around the years for the TPA. It is HIJK. That is year one for the TPA. LMNO is year two. PQRS is year three for the TPA. That is only \$18 million. When you were presenting to the board, there was some confusion around the amount of money being provided to the community.

There was an assumption that it was all TPA. It was a split. Money to the departments and TPA. I feel like we have to have a better understanding and framing of where all the dollars are. I am glad the board of supervisors asked for a delineation. You are working on that. We need to have that to be able to analyze exactly where we are so we can determine when we have to have certain activities done. It is hard to get to the how when we don't know when these things need to take place.

The advocacy of the committee having a TPA has helped us to have this set of information we could look at. We will go with this. We have to do better. This is not good enough. You can continue on with this presentation.

>>: We are trying to move the processes. Trying to make it shorter. We don't want to ask for something not in the contract. They are evaluating. Doing that now. I have been pressing them. We want to open up year three October/November to get that out. If it has some indication of what metrics you will want from the organizations and under what frequency.

We will do work groups to build out what that is. If we have some now, we can get them into contract quickly to get the money out. If I don't have it, it will be what is mapped out in round background.

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We need it fairly quickly to incorporate it. Maybe. The next round we can have a better one. It will be difficult when they are not prepared to produce something. I could use support on figuring out what that is. If not, it will delay contracts. Or it will be misdated.

Everything else, there is contingencies.

>>: We can share what we have asked. We asked people to set their own milestones. What are the milestones you believe you could reach in this time. Based on those, I think Myles went through every single application. I don't know if there are other ones to be repeated.

>>: I just had a request. It was clear when you did the TPAs, a week before these.

MEMBER STEELE: The line is between March and April. That is why I went from GH and KL.

>>: I couldn't figure out how did you come up with the 18 million number.

MEMBER STEELE: Given to the TPA in year one.

>>: 18.5.

MEMBER LEWIS: I don't understand why we don't see the full picture here. It doesn't make sense we are not looking at all the grant administrators. I don't think this group should be knee deep in the organizational level. My recommendation was about the categorical data the administrators are responsible for collecting and presenting to this body.

They are responsible as we look at how we collect information. I am talking about categorical data. It would take too much. There are unique types of services that vary. This gives us a breather to do that. That is what I am referring to.

That will define how they crafted for the respective services under their purview.

MEMBER STEELE: A response to what Member Lewis is saying. It is a good way to do it. From the top view. Everything else trickles down. When you get to year two and all the different

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program recommendations, you get into another set of complications. It would be too much work to dictate. I think we can work together to see what a measure of success looks like.

Be able to give JCOD the directives. Does that make sense?

>>: I am waiting for the meeting where you ask us for something not included.

MEMBER LEWIS: Once we determine it, there will be a heavy lift. You may have to think about when it is feasible for the administrator to figure out the shift to figure out where to start reporting it. We lost the ability. It is still worth it to do.

MEMBER STEELE: I agree. Are you saying because of the work they have done in measuring the dollars there is contribution to this?

MEMBER LEWIS: The equity lens of it. Data collection, these are some equities. Touch it and provide some support. I think JCOD was trying to hire data people. Not forgetting the equity part of it.

>>: Wanting to say this goes as directed at the county department as well. Just wanted to reiterate whatever metrics, evaluation, needs to connect to LA county jail. That needs to be top priority for people in this space.

>>: A few questions. Do the metrics include direct feedback from individuals participating? I would be curious to see a breakdown that looks at where are we funding more that exists.

>>: That is not how the process has gone. It hasn't necessarily compared. Where is funding? Where are the gaps? That analysis wasn't done the variety of things. Figuring out what categories do they align with with the original nine. I think it has been based on where other people have lifted up other needs.

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That would be an interesting place to start. How does it align with the original nine? If you remember, we talked about where there is funding. We have been on a rush since we started. Everything is hurry up and go. This is a great time to pause and realign. One of the great things we could do is identify what are the things to accomplish.

We know there is a lot of stuff to do. Funding is limited. That would be a great time to partner to serve in those ways we can't or leverage stuff.

That is something to think about or looking at where the funding is not happening in certain places or things being duplicated. I think there is some strategic things we haven't had the space to be strategic about. This would with a great time to direct that approach to what we will do and how we will do it.

>>: Today I was in a convening the Dodgers foundation brought together. Funders, grantees, partners to have a conversation about, is there commonality in evaluation tools. What is success? Is there a chance to develop that evaluation path? Having the conversation was crucial.

Maybe the opportunity to have those conversations with the grantees, the departments, have a conversation about what is an evaluation? Is there common ground? I think that would be very valuable.

>>: I want to echo what was said. How we talk about evaluation. What the vice chair said as well. Sometimes we look at this many people. Did they hit this mark? Maybe it is a different journey. Sometimes it is the contact that made the difference. We prevented a person from having an overdose. Things you wouldn't know. I think that would help with Member Castillo's conversation about the decarceration.

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It is a journey. I think actually this could be a great base for some of those conversations to change the narrative across the board about measuring those things.

>>: I think one of the challenges will be what data are available. If we look at outcomes, we need to bring those identities in. We need to think how we do match people. There is a lot of detail. We won't have the data for a lot of things.

MEMBER STEELE: What are we asking for so far. Not even from the TPA. I guess judge, the idea of the work that JCOD is beginning on this and bringing in people, how far along are we on that aspect? We have two positions now. We are interviewing right now. We will bring in a contractor to have the list. I will guess the next couple of months.

MEMBER STEELE: What you are able to get into is the timeline of when we need to be doing aspects of the work.

>>: That is correct.

>>: I will be attentive of time. We walked through the six fiscal years in the top section here. We mapped out the contract here. The year one CPA contracts started between G and H. We added this arrow. The funding was initially by the board of supervisors. When they got their first quarterly payment around the 31 of March, the funding that was initially budgeted didn't start going out until the start of column H.

We added some blue key dates here. You can see the board approved the year one spending plan the 10th of August of 2021. The appropriation dollars were provided to the county departments and JCOD. Two months later, the fifth of October 2021. March 7th of 2022 CEO alternatives to incarceration executed the contract with amity in March of 2022. Less than two months later, May 1st of 2022, amity released the solicitation.

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-- year one programs totaling 18.5 million. The number was lower. The 18.5 includes the 18 or 12 and a half percent admin fee that gets taken off of the stop. That gets us to column H. March 31st of 2023. When the TPA executes it is contracts for discussion purposes. We just made up a vendor. ABC reentry services they would have had their contract signed with amity on the 31st of March 2023. Less than six months ago. The first quarterly payment would have been issued the to the CBO right around the same day and then that is the date when the CBO could start planning services. Hiring staff. Getting ready to open up shop or begin operations. With a 36-month contract expiration date on the 31st of March, 2026.

That gets us down to the sec group of boxes here where it says contract year one. Contract year two and contract year three which chairman steel walked through better than I could. Contract year one if it started in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 22, 23 in column H. Contract year three does not end until late in fiscal year 25, 26.

We mapped out below in blue and in gray. Our operating assumption. Again, this is just our assumption and C budget. I think JCOD could do a better job of mapping this out than we could. This is for discussion purposes. We are assuming that each of the 118 vendors will probably take a few months. Maybe a quarter to ramp up.

>> DEREK: Can you pause really quick? I want to make sure we are all following and I know this is confusing. All right. So, in the second set of boxes where it says contract year 1, 2 and 3.

>> Yes.

>> DEREK: Again H, I, J, K is year one for the TPA right?

>> REBA: I understand where you are going chair Steele and trying to make notes of what is present and had it is very confusing. For instance, when we talk about age in years 25, 26 it could have

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said that. I don't see it. Anyone else see it? It makes it difficult. Do you see it? Where are you seeing it?

Okay. You need a magnifying glass?

>> DEREK: Please I want you to finish your thought.

>> REBA: The concern that I have is this is challenging for me to follow and I can't speak for everyone else here but I am really challenged by this and I have to believe that public is as well and it just seems the to be all over the place and if this could be lined up is o that it, you know, actually draws a real clearer picture. Um, to understand and to grasp just by way visually I think it would be a lot helpful. I am still even with where you are directing me. It doesn't seem the o I would never go there to look.

>> DEREK: I understand. So just to help a little bit. And also, to speed this up. The three sections of boxes the first one with all of t letters on it is the full-time lines of the fiscal years and where the money actually had been an allocate and had I think the most important part is the third box down about scenario one and scenario two of positive and negative assessments. At least from a timeline standpoint what it is saying or suggesting is that at the top of the second year for the TPA funds which is column L. Right? We should be at that point assessing the programs and getting an understanding of what the results are looking at from the different areas.

>> That is not the impression that we meant to convey. So, this box here where it says scenario one positive assessment that is just a label and not actually related to time. This box here starting in L and ending in O that is just a label that says you may look at two scenarios where you have a positive assessment or a negative assessment. We did not, we projected it would start really in contract year three. Here in P and Q. And so, I think um, it is worthwhile for the committee to think through and to work with JCOD and work with the TPA perhaps to figure out when you think it is ideal and perhaps opportune to start the assessment process and so our assumption at CEO is that you don't want to assess

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too early because you won't have enough relevant program or operations data. Let alone metrics to base the assessment off of.

If it takes one quarter or maybe more than one quarter just to ramp up. It might be fairer to wait 24 full months. Say contract year one and contract year two to begin the evaluation process. That way you are for the most part assured of having at least 18 to 21 months of full-service implementation data that you can look at as you consider whether or not the programs are meeting their general policy goals and if you think that they are providing the types of services that are beneficial to both ATI and DCI and if they weren't on going funding. And our assumption is 18 months to 24 months of programmatic data is probably enough to start to have the conversation.

>> DEREK: Just for clarification. Looking at April, June.

>> Correct and of P.

>> DEREK: Of P of starting the evaluation process to assess what is working and what is not and any idea of figuring out what we are going to continue on after that?

>> Correct. This is just CEO budgets. Estimate of what a good timeline would be and we are three steps removed from the actual services being delivered because we work closely with JCOD and Myles and Stephen to get information. I think the committee itself and JCOD with the expertise that you have would be much better than C at deciding when the right point in time would be to start that assessment process. F I think we would recommend not waiting say until column R. Because that might only give you four to six months to do the assessments on either the nine program areas or the 118 vendors and I think we are happy to work closely with you and JCOD just to think about timelines because you of course will have to sequence. The work that you do. With these 118 and kind of pair them up with your ongoing work. And your committee meeting schedule.

>> DEREK: I want to come to member SOTO and member Lewis.

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>> ROSA SOTO: Can we have a small group come together and give maybe an orientation to CEO's office and maybe break it up. One of the things the community has repeatedly asked for is transparency and understanding. Where the funds are and how they are rolled out and evaluated and this is an important presentation. We brought it back twice and we are still I don't think in place of being transparent enough for the community to understand and so nor this committee. So, I am wondering if we can have a conversation offline. Come up with a series of slides. To me there is a timeline for funding and that is one slide and then you know the evaluation and sort of opportunities. There are several layers here and I can see 3 or 4 slides. So, you know, is it just possible to take some time and come back with something a little clearer for our community?

>> DEREK: It is definitely possible and we will come back around to see if you want to make a motion for a committee for that.

>> VERONICA: I think if budget can get to the point which is what I asked of because we already know we are not going to take anybody's money early and talk about assessments and all of these things. You are here because we inquire due to the lack of clarity around the sunset language in the CFCI budget policy. Because we asked what happens next. Since we are in year three and that is all, we need. Now let me finish. Introducing information around you need to assess whether or not you want to continue. We haven't gotten that far and we wanted you here to explain where we were and I think that from the data and the information around yes at some point in time you all will be making recommendations again. What those are. Whether it is to continue funding and come up with a process to assess or create criteria to determine what is renewed or not or we decide to reprocure and we are not that far yet. I think that is throwing and I think one, the presentation of this. We have talked about accessibility and people understanding documents. And we talked about presenting things and making sure we present information in a way that the community can understand and the committee can understand and absorb

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it. I am three years in at this point and I am frustrating and had this is my third time seeing it in a small delegation of us and hasn't changed or gotten clearer despite all of the questions I know we are not there yet. If you can simply make it clear this is the time frame given all of the delays and you, did it last, I understand it. Because I asked a lot of questions last month but we are repeating because of the concern from the community. This is the time frame we think you will be able to make a recommendation again on the close, the first closed round of funding from year three. Subsequently we will have conversations amongst this committee around what that look like and I think that is a whole bunch and that is what we need and what we ask for and so, I just want to frame and I think if you take in the other conversations about assessment and stuff, we are not ready yet and we want to know what is the time line and I don't know if that is clearly articulated. If you can articulate that. For me since I asked for it. What is the timeline when the funding for year one the 36 months will be finished with all of the nuances and considerations and most likely be able to reallocate it however, we decide to do that and I think that is the question we are asking to be answered by this presentation?

>> DEREK: You have an answer for that?

>> I do. The point is in column T. You can see here it says year one round two contracts and actual dates. April 1st, 2026, to March 31st, of 2029. So.

>> DEREK: That is for the TPA though? We won't really know for sure until you are done with the assessment of what the departments have done. Is that correct? Because if you have departments that actually started in column B. Then that means that the continuation of those programs would happen earlier than T. So, we need the whole-time line this is just part of it. This is just a third-party administrator scenario we need the whole scenario.

>> Correct this is TPA year one and we provided the excel template we use to map all of this out to JCOD and I know this is probably a body of work that JCOD is going to have to dig into to create the

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timelines that you are asking for. For the department administrated 80 million of year 1 projects as well as the 87 million in ARP projects from year one and this is just a start of the conversation and this is just as snapshot for the TPA. Chair Steele you are totally correct and this is only one small look at 18.5 million of the year one funding and there will be staggered dates for each of the departmental programs as well. And so, it is going to take a lot of coordination on the part of JCOD and the committee to sequence all of these timelines because of the varying implementation dates for the year one projects.

>> DEREK: Got you.

>> VERONICA: I have a question. It has been a couple of months and I do know that you all are closely tracking the progress of all of the funds where they are. I forget what the process is. With ARDI. Execute and had a couple of times now we received that update from you and I don't understand the statement that we it is going to take a lot of work to figure it out. You all have a general sense of when the programs are implemented and obviously when the departments are telling you it is implemented verses when it hits there is variations there, we have an idea and you are tracking and reporting it out to us every four-months. So do you have an idea. Could we create some type of table and calendar to show when programs have been implemented regardless of the year the round of funding that they receive. I know you are all tracking it.

>> Every quarter the departments who receive funding report back on where they are in the process and now of course there will be some variation with different departments and I think alluded to it earlier because the time in which they contract and had have to do a solicitation or they move forward under existing contracts and doing amendments. There is some variety there. Yes. The CFCI team can come back to committee and give information about where the county departments are. There will have to be reconciliation but we can get a better sense of where we are on the county department side and on the TPA side.

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>> DEREK: Can we have that for the next meeting please?

>> VERONICA: Can we see the full scope of all projects that projected in the, the projected 36 months for all projects with the dollar amounts so we can understand, it is a lot to do monthly. On a quarterly basis when the 36-month rounds will end that is what we need. Then we can understand and have an informed discussion around how our timeline beginning to think about what happens next with those dollars.

>> I think for the next meeting our team will work on putting that together to show the committee what it looks like and where for the TPA everyone is on the same timeline and you can you see from what is showing on the board for the departments. There may be various timelines but I understand what you are asking for is having all together in one place. #.

>> WESLEY: Saying I won't be able to match. Seems like what you are asking is from the recipients you wanted weekly and same break down we are asking and seems like it is what you want from them and it could be simple and I want to speak for the community and for somebody who came from some of the struggles. Didn't go to college. One of the most intimidating things when you are in these situation ss when you come up in a big room or go up against a corporation or go up against a department and all of these big words that you may not be able to put together and they come in succession. Sometimes it is so intimidating you won't say you don't understand and next thing you are lost in the sauce and you are not getting anything and nothing happens and I want to say I appreciate chair Steele and vice chair Lewis. I am watch lg them be able to dissect and be that mediator between the big, bad, whoever, and the community. Because I am positive that there are people out there in the Zoom world that probably turned it off. They are lost. I just wanted to throw it out there.

>> DEREK: In the essence of time to bring us back. Go for it.

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>> JOSEPH: I want to thank you. You are the people that are supposed to be at the table. They want us to get tired and want us to quit and want us to give up. We can't. We got to dismantle this and create something new our people are still stuck in the jail and that is why we are free. Thank you. We are dismantling a big evil and it is not going away easy.

>> DEREK: Thank you for breaking it down the way you broke it down and JCOD is going to bring back the next meeting to look at the full picture and make concrete decisions on what the next steps are looking like from a timeline standpoint and get to the nitty-gritty about how we want to break down a funding program. Align the evaluation amongst the non -- I think those are the steps but we can't begin the deeper conversation around what we want to analyze or what we want to evaluate until we know what we are up against.

I appreciate that and this is the last comment and we will move onto the next piece.

>> Also, on the timeline you brought up about reallocation of fund from year one and where is that on a timeline? The reallocation of funds from year one.

>> DEREK: What is said by budget is at is when we are rolling out the reallocated funds and they are suggesting from P, Q, R, S. That is the time frame we should be doing the evaluation and determining what we want the to do with the unspent funds and what programs we want the o to continue. That is what we are suggesting and that is b only looking at TPA we are not looking at the full picture the departments who also if got dollars may have started their contracts beforehand. I know they have I am one of them. And we have to look at the greater picture of what this timeline look like so we know what work we need to be done.

>> What I hear is suggestion and not necessarily we need to follow that. Thank you.

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>> REBA: Don't we also need to acknowledge publicly that the majority of the dollars in the very first year were county dollars. Right? They are county contracts and that is even more reason as to why this needs to be laid out clearly because it is our responsibility to hold the county also accountable.

>> Is the judges hand raised online? She might want to comment on it as well.

>> DEREK: It is judge? Are you online? She in the back?

>> No.

>> DEREK: Okay.

>> While we are waiting.

>> SONGHAI: They just un-muted me. Sorry.

>> DEREK: Go ahead judge.

>> SONGHAI: Okay. So just really, I want to temper people's expectations there is some year one funding that is reallocate and had you remember we had a previous presentation about that. The department where it was reallocated, they may not be in process yet and it is going to be all over the place and to go back to your earlier comment. You talked about the board has directed CEO and JCOD to put together some of the same information you are asking for and we will have more of that from the departments and there is going to be people from year one that may not have gotten year one funding to year two and it will be all over the place and we will gather as much as we can and people haven't implemented and had some did early and some did exist and some didn't. We will capture all of that. We will get everything we can and present in the best visual way that makes the most sense.

>> DEREK: Understood. I want to stop doing the easier thing it is going to be hard. You know what I mean? I am not saying directly to you judge I am saying every time we ask the question, we get pieces of the information and give it all to us so we can dissect and come up with a game plan for what we need to do. You know?

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>> VERONICA: Those who have not implemented yet make sure the start date of 36 months is the start date. If they haven't implemented yet. It should be reflected the projected start date. Year three we understand you push them. For years 1 and 2 at this point there should be a projected start date if there are delays.

>> DEREK: For sure. We got to move onto the next piece. Are you sure? Okay. Cool. I want to move onto the next item which is conversation about measure J. Sorry. Give me a second. Presentation from -- thank you very much budget. I appreciate you for coming in and we still got more work to do and let's make sure we get that done and you work directly with JCOD to make it happen. For Los Angeles County counsel I am going to bring forth the conversation around measure J ruling. As you may or may not know measure J is constitutional and won its appeal. It is a big deal and we want to understand what that means for our work moving forward the way CFCI was determine and had situated the board of supervisors are able the to do what is within their power which got us to the whole conversation around 2026 what does it look like now that measure J is approved? Are we now talking about this work in perpetuity? What does that mean? County counsel are you there?

>> Good afternoon can you hear me?

>> DEREK: We can.

>> Perfect. I will have an update from the last meeting. My name is Michael and attorney from the council office and here to provide an update --

>> DEREK: It sounds like you are in a phone booth. Is it possibly that we can clarify your mic issues?

>> Can you hear me now?

>> DEREK: We can hear you. If you are using a headphone or using might have to adjust your mic.

>> I will pull the mic up to my face.

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>> DEREK: Go for it.

>> Great. Yeah so, I you are going to give an update on the measure J litigation. Request we had was to provide a briefing repeat of what was provided to you on August 17th and there was developments and my plan this even cover the same information I did on the 17th and bring you up to date with the most recent.

>> DEREK: In the essence of time, we know what the timeline of what happened with measure J and you don't have the to go over that we want to get to the meat and potatoes of the conversation we are familiar with this plotting. Let me ask. Anybody need updates on the timeline r or how measure J came about or any of that? We can skip that part and let's get to the meat and potatoes with what happened with the appeals court.

>> We will get right to it. The decision was issued on July 28th which is about two years of the initial trial decision. The district court of appeals decision was reversed. The court of appeal found that the state constitution and state law do not prevent the county electorate from adopting the charter amendment that affects the county budget the way measure J does and even though it puts a limit on the board of supervisor -- [away from microphone]. Like public safe tiff. So, the appellate decision was a reversal of the knob decision. This is where we got to last time with the last briefing and I told you we were in a holding pattern waiting for the coalition of unions. (Indistinct) to decide what they want to do. They had three options at that point. And could have accepted the loss and let the appellate decision stand or could have asked the court of appeal for a hearing or asked the supreme court to review the appellate court decision. We were waiting for the coalition and we now know the coalition asked the supreme court to --

>> DEREK: Can you say that part again. We lost you the voice tailed off the last part.

>> Can you hear me okay now?

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>> DEREK: Go ahead.

>> The ball was in the coalitions court to decide what they wanted the to do and we know what they wanted to do is ask the supreme court to review the appellate court decision. (Indistinct) request to the supreme court to review the appellate court decision and so what is currently the procedural posture of the case is we are waiting for the supreme court to decide whether they want to hear this case or not.

>> DEREK: You are saying the county is not take ago position until the supreme court makes a decision.

>> We are waiting to go hear what they say. Either we are going to hear the case or let the decision stand. They have about 90 days to decide whether they want to take the case or not. So, within the next 90 days we might hear they accept the case and have the to wait for them to issue a decision on the merits or reject the coalition and ask for appeal and appellate decision will stand and that will mean measure J is effective once again. We are in a holding pattern waiting to hear what they want to do with the case. If they decide they want to hear the case in that case the appellate decision will stay and measure J will remain on hold and the supreme court deciding the case on the merits and the care first community investment policy. The board asked for in the interim that will remain in effect in that interim period until we get a final decision from the supreme court.

>> DEREK: For clarification for those who might not be able to hear. What is if they do decide to take the case then it will CFCI will be the policy in place until a decision is made. If they decide not the take the case then measure J actually will be reinstated.

>> That is, it.

>> DEREK: Okay. Questions and thoughts on that piece?

>> JOSEPH: I want to thank the appellate court for lifting up and the voice of the people. And thank the imagine LA coalition for organizing to continue to make this happen. Things just don't happen

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in a vacuum by the goodness of people's hearts. We are imagining by the end of October we will see if they will hear it or not. But I would be interested to see. I am hoping they had an amazing press conference and I wish I would have seen some of you out there a few weeks ago with the same fervency we implement measure J and give it teeth. Feel like it is softball and playing defense we can go on offense our community needs it thinking of ways to restructure. We need to have folks come in and present to us. Is restructuring in a way that is going to provide real decision-making power to get that 900 million. \$1 billion out to the communities out of the doors and maybe avoid a lot of this bureaucracy and stuff we are seeing the last couple of years and get down to what derrick said the meat and potatoes. Potatoes is colonized food and I will go with antelope and deer.

>> DEREK: It is.

>> Check this out. Just imagine a billion dollars a year in our community. With the crisis that we have right now that we all see every single day. Imagine what we could do. For our neighbors. Imagine that. And certainly, I am certain I am not going to talk too long. I am certain that the county is probably like, you know? That is a lot of money. Right t? And it is. But it is a game changer. And if the county can't end our unhoused situation. You know? Our substance abuse situation. Our mental health challenges on our street's situation. Perhaps it is our time. Because we see it. We live it. We feel it. We taste it. We are hurting just as those who are outside in a different way. So, I am just I am just excited for the opportunity and the possibilities of actually being able to be a part of that. So that is why I thank you Megan.

>> DEREK: Scenario requests on this. Measure J has reinstated and had what does that mean? For CFCI and the work we are doing in this body? County council?

>> The most meaningful impact is the fact it is a charter amendment that is in place and not a board policy. A board policy exists at the discretion of the board of supervisors and it can be removed at

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the discretion of the board of supervisors and charter amendment not by a vote by a public or validating it. That is the big difference between a board policy and charter amendment.

>> DEREK: Got it. With that said being that this body was design by way of board policy. What work would need to happen with the reinstatement of measure J and what does that mean for the body of work that we are continuing on with the funds and everything that are already out? What does it mean?

>> By and large that kind of an issue wasn't what was before the court and not at privilege to get into it this afternoon. I can tell you the CFCI policy was intended to mirror as well as possible measure J. It was not a stopgap but as much as the r board could do in the interim while measure J was in place and should be a good reflection of what measure J is like when and if it is reinstated.

>> DEREK: He is talking around it. I need you to imagine with me and I know your county council and maybe you are right and we should probably bring the council for the from reimagine LA to talk through this as well with us? Can you come to the mic please if you don't mind? Are we able, am I able. Let me ask a question. We do have the council in the room. What are the rules around asking questions from them? Do I have to wait until public comment? Do I have to open public comment for it? What do I need to do?

>> I don't think they are agenda.

>> DEREK: We can't have a conversation with them? Let me ask a question. Can we do that? The presentation is. He is council for the group that won the case. Let me ask this question what questions do you all have. And then I am going to open public comment.

>> VERONICA: Will anything change about how the unrestricted revenue is calculated. If measure J does become law. That is the question. Will anything change? I am posing the question to our presenter.

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That is the actual question. Will anything change when if or when it becomes law in terms of how the calculations are done.

>> You are going to call this a lawyers answer it is not an issue that was in fronts of the court and not going to be in front of the court as far as we can tell if the supreme court does take it up. Fr what we consider now it should not have an impact on whether measure J or the CFCI policy in place that should not be a major factor at least the litigation should not have an impact on that.

>> DEREK: It is not going to be more. It is not going to change. It is going to be more of us doing the work that we are in.

>> JOSEPH: I got a question considering this is an advisory board how is measuring J being upheld change the dynamics of I t being an advisory board to becoming an actual commission and do we need the C's approval for the budgets that we pass here. Are we able to straight pass it and get those out of the door without the CEO approval or the board of supervisors considering it is a charter amendment.

>> We will have to take that question back and analyze and it is not something again that is in front of the court and analyzed and had I am prepared to speak to today. We can take that back and look at it.

>> JOSEPH: I would love to hear a response later in public comment from the gentleman in the room or have agenda item to have this gentleman to come and speak next meeting to enlighten us on the stuff that county council doesn't have any thoughts or tangible things to present.

>> DEREK: Okay. I do want to come back to that. I want to, I want to be able to open public comment on this item. Any additional questions though. Being that we do have council member. I want to make sure that those questions that we have from that point of view can be answered as well. Anything that is coming up for you all?

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>> ROSA SOTO: Chair I wonder as a question to our county council is their precedence of a situation similar to this where emotion, I am sorry, where a public measure has become law? Identifying a source of funding available for a particular population. And it is, you know and just if that exists. If they can come back and present hypothetical scenario.

>> We have to come back with that. It is not something I know off of the top of my head. We have to come back to that.

>> DEREK: That is two questions to come back with. Right? We are looking to have you come back in and answer those questions or provide them to JCOD. We want you to come back. I think it is really important for us to understand what this means for us. We have been working very diligently for quite some time and this does mean something big for what is next and what happens. Not maybe for the people currently on the body but for the future bodies that are going to be managing and move forward with measure J and we want to make sure we get it right in the way we are talking about it right now. And prepare for it. The whole conversation of everything today is around the preparation of the thing that are coming next.

>> Clarity on the two questions the one just asked about whether there is precedence for the prior measure becoming law and whether that has changed. And then the other question is the question member Williams?

>> DEREK: How does that change the body and decision-making power?

>> I just want to reflect for the minutes.

>> DEREK: Anyone else? We are going to open for public comment and go with two minutes and start with the folks in the room. As reminder the public comment period is two minutes per person. User dial star nine to use raise hand feature. Dial star six to un-mute yourself. Computer are users scroll to reactions on the bottom tab and find the raise hand feature. Smart t phone users scroll to more on the

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bottom tab and select raise hand feature from the drop-down menu and we will call on you in the order your hand is raised. Remember to state your name. We will now begin public comment for agenda item number nine and we will begin with public comment in the room.

>> DEREK: Yes, sir? Do we have public comment in the room? I know. I am -- okay.

>> No hands in the room and we will move to online. I see one hand in the room if you can un-mute yourself. Online. By Ron. Go ahead.

>> Good afternoon. This is BYRON with coalition and reimagine LA I had a question for the county council. And the C owe e rep. But the CEO rep is gone I believe. Is, what mechanisms is the county council office employing to assess how to best proceed with this endless appeal and this waste of money or are you at the behest of coalition and sheriff probation. County and sheriff probation union in terms of continuing to appeal measure J? Definitely entering both county council and the C are listening to the community in terms of truly looking at the funding and not just being lost in the process and while I appreciate what the advisory committee does serve at the bring for the community to be able to have access in the county budget process. Policies and bureaucracy. I think at the same time because measure J's mandates it is an investment and including the community. To make sure that the county council and the CEO's office because they are not an elected body need the representatives here this don't bother to come in-person when we ask that they develop mechanisms to make sure their decision are informed by what then community wants when it comes to CFCI and measure J upheld by the voters and not by the court. Thank you.

>> DEREK: Facts.

>> Thank you next one. Reverend holly Debby.

>> Thank you so much I represent several organizations who were part of the round three funding and their projects and I am a grant writer and I just want to call out and commend the committee for

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asking for this transparency although not all of the qualitative and quantitative metrics and measurements and knowing the funds are disbursed and had organizations have them and still in operation and able to get the technical support they need in order to qualify such as business insurance and grant program administration. It is extremely valuable and although there may not be an evaluation report. But this idea of having an assessment where the funding is at and timeline, I think it is essential and will set a precedent and I believe measure J will pass and this is an important precedent for transparency as we move forward with the funds and I am overwhelming with joy this is a possibility for the community. The money is going to make a difference as long as it is in the hands of the organizations who day in and day out make a difference in people's lives and thank you so much for letting me share.

>> Thank you. Please un-mute yourself. And you can begin public comment.

>> My name is Jack Morris. I work for community health and we were awarded grantee through JCOD under this program. I like to thank the committee and JCOD for their support. The community health workers have already assisted more than 230 individuals with this funding. I also like to comment on the fact that JCOD has attempted to provide assistance to the community and I wish to commend them on their work. As far as measure J passing through the courts and heading up to the supreme court in all likelihood because JCOD was passed by the voters and it does not clearly establish federal law in opposition to state constitution. Or federal constitution it could be upheld. What that means or could mean is that JCOD's original implementation may come into play. Whether it means appointment of the board as a permanent fixture is something else that has to be decided. Thank you all for everything that you are doing and for all of the people that we are now helping as a result of your support. Congratulations.

>> Thank you, Phillip you may un-mute, yourself.

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>> Hi my name is Phillip and I am with LA defense and I want to thank everyone. Derrick and vice chair Lewis and Megan for repping, representing the community and try to go make this accessible. The presentation especially is confusing and the timelines I have no idea what is going on because of the way it is presented. But I also want to thank you last time we were in this space I couldn't track the audio and this is a lot clearer. So, I appreciate that very much.

I just wanted to also bring up the things that I am seeing about the contract coming are from CFCI money it seems problematic considering the history with anti-immigration and working with police.

Lastly. Yeah. Thank you for all of the hard work that you do and really looking forward to seeing measure J implemented and the connection between how CFCI dollars set up alternatives incarceration so we can close these death dealing institutions. You know 32 people have died in custody this year. It is just really a humanitarian crisis that can be addressed if the board of supervisors can make the connection between how you are setting up systems that can facilitate the closure of men's central jail and so on. Thank you.

>> Karen Garcia you may un-mute yourself for public comment.

>> Can you hear me? Hi everyone my name is Karen with the reimagine LA coalition. President of the district two and could be CFCI is supposed to mirror measure J and that is not true until CFCI is fully funded and I want to thank the body for emphasizing what the public is expressing since day one regarding the lack of transparency how funds are moving especially within the county and like member Williams said this body needs to put (Indistinct) initiative. Be on the offense and we have been waiting for this litigation to move forward and we are still being asked to wait and community needs are only rising. What is going on in men's central jail is crisis and folks are dying and what can we do now? We need to divert more funding to the CFCI and close men's central jail and we need to divest from what we already know isn't working. Thank you.

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>> Thank you. Gabby you may un-mute yourself to provide public comment.

>> Can you hear me? Good afternoon, everybody I want to thank a lot of the members present today who are naming and asking county council what is next and how can we move forward? I think member Williams, you said it. When can this advisory board become commission that is really saying this is how the money needs to be spent. Because just this month we were at the board of supervisors the reimagine LA coalition demanding that 12 million we are not seeing from the county and so you know to be fighting for pennies at this point when we know there is billions going towards law enforcement and incarceration and what is a state of emergency in our county jails. It is so troubling for all of us to have to continue to fight this way and it is refreshing to see such commitment from all of you who are there right now and demanding and asking the right questions and I hope county council comes back to you all and answers your questions and I have the same ones as you all and I hope we can find a way to get those dollars to close menses central jail and stop these unnecessary deaths that are happening in LA and LAPD custody across the county and thank you I will yield the rest of my time. Thank you.

>> This concludes public comment r period back to you chair Steele.

>> DEREK: Thank you very much. And I want to we are going to move onto the next item briefly and I am looking at the clock I got you all. I would like to -- we have discussion of election of CFCI advisory committee chair and vice chairs. Right? What I want to do here because this is the time for elections. We are not going to be able to do all of that in ten minutes what I do want them to open up the floor, I make a motion to amend the process to take nominations today. And then provide the space for those who have accepted the nominations to give speeches at the next meeting and make elections next meeting as well. All we are doing is asking if we have any nominations that is what I am asking. Hold on.

I want to break it up is the point that I am making that way we can have the elections and also the speeches in the next meeting and we will do that. Okay? If you have folks that you would like to nominate

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for the chair and vice chair positions keep in mind, we have a chair and two co-vice chairs and if you have any nominations, you can make the nominations now.

>> REBA: I do and I will probably be out of order a bit. I would like to nominate you chair Steele for another term. And I want them to say a big gigantic thank you to Veronica Lewis for all of her, I mean, my gosh. And we know that you ain't going nowhere. I would also like the to nominate member mir ran da. And I would also like to nominate member Castillo.

>> DEREK: These nominations have been made.

>> REBA: I know others support. Right t?

>> DEREK: These nominations are made and do the members accept the nominations?

>> REBA: Do you accept?

>> DEREK: I accept the nominations.

>> REBA: Co-vice chairs.

>> DEREK: She nominated myself for chair and member Miranda and Castillo for co-vice chairs and remember we are not making elections today and taking nominations and seeing if they are being accepted.

>> Does that mean four vice chairs or nominate to go replace them? Was there a term that theirs would be up?

>> DEREK: It is up now.

>> It has to be. I second.

>> JOSEPH: Considering the conversation that we had today. We going to need bold leadership going into this year. At the end of October if this shapes out we are going to have to push hard and I my second is my pledge of belief in your leadership to do that and I will follow that leadership but it is going to take some bold leadership and I know you all have and you have an ally and partner here and we will

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agree and disagree at time and I think over the last couple of years we have learned to ally at times and disagree at times and to get each other's back and if we are going to disagree let's disagree sometimes privately and I appreciate you.

>> DEREK: Any other nominations? Anyone have any other nominations?

Um, all right. So, the nominations have been made. We can go to public comment. One minute and this is for this item and also general public comment. One minute.

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>> I am thrilled you have accepted these nominations this is not an easy task or job and general public comment is I want to recommend there is a task force made between the sheriff department. LAPD. Probation department. District attorney and our state representatives. If we don't change the law, there is no early release. There is no closing the men's jail. We stated in the meeting a few months back the reason there is only 88 members of the men's jail released is they do not have the legal right to do so. So, I am making that for consideration and I hope you will take it seriously. Thank you so much and excited you will all be back.

>> Thank you please un-mute yourself and begin public comment.