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Study Session
January 21, 2020

Study Session Topics

10:30 A.M.  *Executive Session (WHR)
Executive Study Session and County Attorney Administrative Meeting [Section 24-6-402 (4)(b)C.R.S.](As required by law, specific agenda topics will be announced in open meeting prior to the commencement of the closed and confidential portion of this session) (WHR)

    Ron Carl, County Attorney

Break

1:00 P.M.   Calendar Updates (WHR)
BoCC Administrative Support Supervisor

1:45 P.M.   BOCC Updates (WHR)
Board of County Commissioners

3:00 P.M.   *Drop In (WHR)
Board of County Commissioners

1.  2020 Census Update
    Update from the Internal Census Committee on current and upcoming activities associated with Arapahoe County’s 2020 Census planning efforts

    Request: Information/Direction
Study Session Topics

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   Ron Carl, County Attorney

2. Calendar Updates (WHR)
   Break
   BOCC Administrative Support Supervisor
   BOCC Updates (WHR)
   Board of County Commissioners

3. *Drop In (WHR)
   Board of County Commissioners
   2020 Census Update
   Update from the Internal Census Committee on current and upcoming activities associated with Arapahoe County's 2020 Census planning efforts
   Request: Information/Direction
   Michelle Halstead, Director, Communication and Administration Services
   Chris Henning, Communication Manager, Communication Services
   Nancy Sonnenfeld, Census Coordinator, Communication Services
   Larry Mugler, Planner, Public Works and Development
   Linda Haley, Community Housing and Development Manager, Community Resources
   John Christofferson, Deputy County Attorney

4. Community Corrections Board Proposed Letter To Denver City Council
   Discussion of a request from the Arapahoe County Community Corrections Board for approval to send a letter to the Denver City Council notifying the Council that the acceptance of community corrections referrals from Denver County will be limited
   Request: Information/Direction
   Brad Kamby, Judicial Services Division Manager, Community Resources
   Don Klemme, Director, Community Resource
   Todd Weaver, Budget Manager, Finance
   Tiffanie Bleau, Senior Assistant County Attorney

5. Request To Use Sheriff's Office Funds To Supplement The Cost Of A Bomb Truck
   Discussion of a request from the Sheriff's Office to authorize the use of Sheriff's Office funds (SRO Operating Budget cost Center) to supplement the cost of a replacement bomb squad truck
   Request: Information/Direction
   Olga Fajaros, Sheriff's Finance Manager, Sheriff's Office
   Kenneth McKlem, Special Operations Captain, Sheriff's Office
   Tyler Brown, Sheriff
   Todd Weaver, Budget Manager, Finance
   Tiffanie Bleau, Senior Assistant County Attorney

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Board Summary Report

Date: January 10, 2020

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Internal Census Committee: Michelle Halstead, Chris Henning, Nancy Sonnenfeld, John Christofferson, Jessica Gapuzan, Larry Mugler and Linda Haley

Subject: Census 2020 Update

Request and Recommendation:
The purpose of this drop-in session is to provide a brief update on current and upcoming activities associated with Arapahoe County’s 2020 Census planning efforts and to answer any questions.

Background
The U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population every 10 years. Census data is critical to the County in several areas, most notably in determining how many seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as determining the redistricting of state legislatures. Having an accurate and complete census count is important in determining Federal and State aid and grants, economic development, housing assistance, transportation improvements and many other programs that residents depend upon. Maintaining or increasing non-property tax revenue is necessary to provide more than 240 statutory services in alignment with resident expectations.

Arapahoe County’s service area includes diverse populations and geography which pose unique challenges to obtaining an accurate count. The county’s internal census working committee is focusing on communities that have been historically undercounted by the decennial census. According to County data, these group total 161,519 individuals, representing 25 percent of Arapahoe County’s population.

The temporary coordinator position approved by the board is strategizing and leading the County’s efforts in obtaining an accurate count, designing plans to engage hard-to-reach populations and coordinating efforts with internal and external stakeholders.
Complete Count Committee

- Next meeting **Thursday, 2/20/20, 4-5pm at Admin, WHR.**

Primary Objective: Share communication plans and outreach efforts across the County, launch ArapahoeCounts! Website, provide branded promotional materials, identify gaps/opportunities

Internal Activities:

- Strategies to leverage staff, facilities, and existing events for census awareness and education have been developed, and include display of informational signage and collateral in public spaces, hanging external banners (to be switched out for elections), internal retractable banners, posters, window clings, brochures, videos.
- A brief training video is being produced internally and will be uploaded to ArapahoeLearns. The video will be required for HS staff, and recommended for other staff (public-facing staff will be especially encouraged to view it/be shown in staff meetings).
- Chris and Nancy met with IT staff to walk through technology needs for community engagement events.
- A map of places of worship throughout the County was created by PWD GIS Specialist Sam Bishop to assist with outreach efforts.
- List of HOA and Group Homes provided for outreach, with some priority areas noted.
- Census presentations provided to all Human Services staff and Community Resources Managers, and will be delivered on 1/23 at the Public Works and Development all-staff meeting.
- Census information will be displayed during the Oil & Gas Workshops on 1/23 and 1/28, and at the 4H Extravaganza on 2/1.

External Activities:

- Census presentation provided to REAP 1/9, and to Eastern I-70 Chamber 1/15.
- CANPO and DRCOG held DOLA grantee coordination meetings to share and leverage broader plans and strategies.
- Additional meetings held with Latino, Asian/Pacific Islander, African-American/Black community leaders and organizations to collaborate.

Reviewed By:
John Christofferson, Deputy County Attorney
Board Summary Report

Date:

To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Don Klemme, Community Resources Department Director

From: Brad Kamby, Judicial Services Division Manager

Subject: Community Corrections Board letter to Denver City Council

Information
The Arapahoe County Community Corrections Board (ACCCB) is requesting approval from the Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) to send a letter to the Denver City Council notifying the Council that the acceptance of community corrections referrals from Denver County will be limited.

Background
In July of 2019, the Denver City Council made the decision to not enter into a new contract with the GEO Group, effectively closing the Williams Street Center (WSC). The WSC was a half-way house for women transitioning from the Department of Corrections (DOC) back to Denver or sentenced directly to the half-way house in lieu of a sentence to DOC. As a result of the closure of WSC, the ACCCB approved the transfer of several of the WSC clients to the Arapahoe County Residential Center (ACRC). The action of the ACCCB prevented the re-incarceration in DOC of these women. Since the closure of the WSC, the ACCCB and ACRC continue to screen, and if appropriate, place women referred by the Denver County District Courts and women transitioning from DOC who, if not for the lack of a female program, would be referred to Denver.

Discussion
ACRC has the capacity to house 206 residential clients. The ACCCB will always prioritize placements for women sentenced to community corrections in the 18th Judicial District or are paroling to the 18th Judicial District. The ACCCB has determined that if and when the residential population at ACRC reaches 190 it will no longer accept direct sentence referrals from Denver. The proposed letter from the ACCCB to the Denver City Council summarizes the impact the closure of WSC has had on the residential population at ACRC, notifies the Council that there is a limit on the number of referrals from Denver the ACCCB is willing to absorb, and encourages the Council to expedite efforts to bring gender specific community corrections programming back to Denver.

Alternatives
The alternative is to not send the letter to the Denver City Council. The ACCCB can provide notice of the limitation on the number of Denver referrals it will review to the Denver County Community Corrections Board.
Links to Align Arapahoe

Community corrections promotes quality of life by assisting individuals in transitioning from prison back to their community and providing individuals sentenced directly to community corrections the opportunity to serve their sentence and address their criminogenic needs without going to prison. Community corrections also promotes public safety by providing supervision to felony offenders. Community corrections promotes fiscal responsibility as it is less costly than jail and prison and offenders are required to work and pay taxes and restitution.

Fiscal Impact
There is virtually no fiscal impact to the county. The Colorado Division of Criminal Justice has allocated funding for an additional 40 residential beds to the ACCCB to increase the female population at ACRC.

Concurrence
N/A

Attorney Comments

Reviewed By:

Brad Kamby, Judicial Services Division Manager  
Don Klemme, Community Resources Department Director  
Patrick Hernandez, Interim Finance Director  
Tiffanie Bleau, Assistant County Attorney
December 27, 2019

Denver City Council
1437 Bannock St., Rm. 451
Denver, CO 80202

Re: Community Corrections Referrals to Arapahoe County

Dear Council Members:

This letter is written to provide the Denver City Council with a policy update regarding the use of community corrections facilities in Arapahoe County to house former, and future referred, community corrections female clients. The Arapahoe County Community Corrections Board (ACCCB) will continue to allow female community corrections referrals, who would otherwise be referred to Denver, but for lack of a female program there, into the foreseeable future. However, the ACCCB has established a population limit, after which Denver referrals will be denied to the sole women’s facility in Arapahoe County, the Arapahoe County Residential Center (ACRC).

As background, in an effort to support the former residents of Williams Street Center (WSC) and the Denver County Community Corrections Board (DCCCB), the ACCCB allowed WSC clients to transfer to ACRC. In addition to the transfer of the former WSC residents, the ACCCB and ACRC continue to screen and place women sentenced directly to community corrections by the Denver County District Courts. Moreover, the ACCCB and ACRC are screening, and if appropriate, accepting women transitioning out of the Department of Corrections (DOC) who, if not for the lack of a female program, would be referred to Denver. The ACCCB is supportive of the needs of these women and wants to provide them with the opportunity to safely transition from DOC back to the community or avoid going to prison in the first place. However, this is not without limitation.

As a result of the Denver City Council’s decision to not enter into a contract with the GEO Group, effectively closing WSC, the residential population at ACRC continues to increase significantly. In order to maintain capacity to serve Arapahoe County-referred clients, the ACCCB will limit direct sentence placements from Denver, should the total residential population at ACRC reach 190. If the residential population reaches 190 the ACCCB will no longer place women referred by Denver and will automatically deny any direct sentence referrals from Denver County District Courts until the population at ACRC falls below 190. In order to prevent confusion and unnecessary delay in processing referrals, the ACCCB will inform the DCCCB about status changes in the population of ACRC.
The ACCCB encourages the Denver City Council to recognize the urgent need to provide services to this vulnerable Denver population and strongly encourages the Council to expedite efforts to bring gender specific community corrections programming and treatment back to the justice involved women of Denver.

Sincerely,

Jeff Turner
ACCCB Chair

Cc: Denver County Community Corrections Board
Board Summary Report

Date: January 7th, 2020

To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Tyler Brown, Sheriff

From: Olga Fajaros, Budget & Logistics Manager

Subject: Request to Use Sheriff’s Office Funds to Supplement the Cost of a Bomb Truck

Request and Recommendation
Request that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the use of Sheriff’s Office funds (SRO Operating Budget Cost Center) to supplement the cost of a replacement bomb squad truck. $500,000 was allotted for the purchase of the truck through CIP (#417010308). However, the total cost for the truck will be $510,516.00. Therefore, Sheriff’s Office funds will be needed to cover the remaining balance of $10,516.00.

Request that the $10,516.00 come from the SRO Operating Budget Cost Center 107040005.

Background
In 2019, the Sheriff’s Office requested and received funds through CIP to purchase a new large bomb truck. The truck would also be utilized as a tactical operations center during Bomb/SWAT calls and other critical incidents.

Links to Align Arapahoe
Service First, Quality of Life – Community Safety and Fiscal Responsibility

Discussion
The Sheriff’s Office is requesting a BOCC drop in to complete the ordering process. Any undue delay will nullify the current quote and prolong receipt of the truck (approximate build time is 10 to 12 months).

Alternatives
The alternative is not to purchase the truck. As previously indicated, this would adversely affect the operations of the Bomb Squad and potentially render them unable to respond to emergency calls if and/or when the current 2004 vehicle fails again.

Fiscal Impact
Initial costs (listed above).

Concurrence
The Sheriff’s Office Administration and Public Safety Bureau are in concurrence with this decision.
Reviewed By:

Ken McKlem, Captain Special Operations
Olga Fujaros, Sheriff Finance Manager
Glenn Thompson, Public Safety Bureau Chief
Mark Nicastle, Undersheriff
Tyler Brown, Sheriff
Finance Department
County Attorney