

**ALAMEDA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'  
PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, October 24, 2024  
10:00 a.m.**

**Supervisor Elisa Márquez, Chair  
Supervisor Nate Miley**

**Location: Board of Supervisors Chambers  
County Administration Building  
1221 Oak Street, Suite 512  
Oakland, CA 94612**

**Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99247500951>**

**SUMMARY/ACTION MINUTES**

**I. Reimagining Adult Justice in Alameda County Now and into the Future**  
[Attachment](#)

Wendy Still, Senior Public Safety Advisor & Reimagine Adult Justice Manager presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on Reimagining Adult Justice. Gavin O'Neill, Principal Analyst, Alameda County Superior Court, Masanao Morimoto, Assistant District Attorney, the Honorable Charles Smiley, Judge, Alameda County Superior Court, Danielle Guerry, Clinical Director, Telecare Corporation and Brian Bloom, Chair, Mental Health Advisory Board also contributed to this presentation.

Updates on the Reimagining Adult Justice were presented to the Committee in March 2024 and June 2024 to review the 53 recommendations. This final presentation addresses Recommendation 44, advocating for Alameda County to implement a jail population review team. A 94-page report on this recommendation is available online.

Additionally, updates are provided on Recommendation 35, recommending the expansion of the co-occurring disorders court, and Recommendation 49, suggesting the establishment of a site and service center. A 108-page report accompanies the latter. A status update on the remaining 19 recommendations is also included.

The overarching goal of the Reimagine Adult Justice (RAJ) project, initiated in 2021, is to assess and improve jail operations, reentry services, and justice system efficiencies while addressing racial disparities and exploring oversight options.

The proposed jail population review team aims to reduce unnecessary jail stays, improve case processing times, and promote risk-based rather than financial-based release decisions. Research and stakeholder engagement, including interviews with seven jurisdictions and academic literature reviews, informed the recommendation.

Focus groups with justice partners explored potential team structures, membership, benefits, challenges, and data trends to guide implementation while maintaining public safety and supporting justice reform efforts.

The overall goal is to reduce unnecessary incarceration, streamline justice processes, enhance transparency, and ensure resources are effectively allocated to support rehabilitation and public safety.

**Speakers**

Richard Spiegelman, Myrna Schwartz, John Lindsay-Poland, Loni Hancock, Kari of Restore Oakland, Terry Dunn and Tom Bates commented on the Reimagining Adult Justice presentation.

**Purpose:**

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education**
- Request Public Protection Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.