

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

**Thursday, September 22, 2022
10:00 a.m.**

**Supervisor Richard Valle, 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. Alameda County Superior Court Pretrial Program Redesign - Information Item

The Honorable Charles Smiley, Presiding Judge, Alameda County Superior Court and the Honorable Morris Jacobson, Judge, Alameda County Superior Court presented an informational item regarding the Alameda County Superior Court Pretrial Program Redesign.

The Pretrial Services Program began in 2019 as a pilot program to increase the safe and efficient release of arrestees before trial. Pretrial Services also ensure more court appearances, use risk assessment tools, and have dedicated judicial officers and probation staff to address pretrial releases during the weekend and around the clock.

Judge Jacobson is the new Chair for the Pretrial Program Redesign Subcommittee, and the committee has a renewed commitment to optimize the program.

Purpose:

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

Speaker

Richard Spiegelman asked about the pretrial program recommendations when the prosecution and defense do not agree.

Recommendation from Public Protection Committee: The Honorable Judge Smiley will provide the Board of Supervisors' staff with information regarding recidivism rate, demographics, staffing requirements, features of the pretrial programs and budgeting.

II. Presentation and Possible Direction Regarding Reimagining Adult Justice Initiative

Update

[Attachment](#)

Wendy Still, Special Advisor to the Public Protection Committee, Alameda County, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Reimagining Adult Justice Initiative.

Data Sharing

The data warehouse will store data from various sources in one secure location and in compliance with various State and Federal regulations. It will also be used for program planning purposes and managed by the Information Technology Department.

Data sharing partners include Superior Court, Sheriff's Office, Probation Department and Health Care Services Agency & Behavioral Health Care Services with data sharing agreements for criminal and community records.

There is a one-time cost of \$48,000 and an annual recurring cost of \$4,800 for ongoing maintenance of the system to be funded through grants. Ms. Still requested the Public Protection Committees' support for the cost of the data sharing warehouse.

AB 1185 Decision points

- Oversight System Structure & Authority (Sheriff Oversight Board and/or Office of the Inspector General)
- Oversight Board Membership, Selection Process & Disqualifying Factors
- Legal Counsel & Budget Options
- Independent Evaluation Processes
- Draft Ordinance
- County Counsel's Role

Speaker

Richard Spiegelman asked if he could provide suggestions/recommendations to the Reimagining Adult Justice program.

Suggestions for the program can be submitted to Wendy Still.

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- Other:

Recommendation from Public Protection Committee: The Public Protection Committee is in support of moving forward with grant funding for the data warehouse costs. The Board of Supervisors will discuss AB 1185 at their Board Work Session on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.

**III. Presentation and Possible Direction on Alameda County Probation - A New Path Forward:
Update on Plan to Reduce Reliance on OC Spray**

[Attachment](#)

Brian Ford, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Alameda County Probation Department and Dr. Kelly Dedel, Consultant, One in 37 Research, Inc. presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Probation Departments' plan to Reduce Reliance on OC (pepper) Spray.

The presentation included Dr. Dedel's recommendations to reduce reliance on OC spray, stakeholder survey results, the SAFE Workgroup's Implementation Plan and the Santa Clara Probation Model.

Dr. Dedel's recommendations to reduce reliance on OC spray include a gradual phase out of OC spray. Other recommendations that have been implemented include the creation of a workgroup (Safety Achieved For Everyone (SAFE) to develop recommendations and a full implementation plan that will include long-term and short-term goals.

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- Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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