

Salt Lake County
Criminal Justice Advisory Council
Full Committee
October 10, 2018
Room N2800 - Noon

Executive Committee Members:

Chair Ben McAdams	Salt Lake County Mayor
Vice Chair Brendan McCullaugh	Judge, West Valley City Justice Court
Jim Bradley	Salt Lake County Council
Max Burdick	Salt Lake County Council
Karen Crompton	Director, Salt Lake County Human Services
Sim Gill	District Attorney, Salt Lake County
Kele Griffone	Director, Criminal Justice Services
Chief Matthew Dumont	Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office
Rich Mauro	Executive Director, Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association
Jim Peters	State Justice Court Administrator
Sheriff Rosie Rivera	Salt Lake County Sheriff
Judge Randall Skanchy	Presiding Judge, Third District Court
Mayor Jeff Silvestrini	Mayor, Millcreek City

Full Committee Members:

Judge John Baxter	Salt Lake City Justice Court
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Chief Jack Carruth	South Salt Lake City, LEADS Chair
Mike Haddon	Director, Utah State Department of Corrections
Rep. Eric Hutchings	Utah House of Representatives
Peyton Smith	Third District Court Administrator
Tim Whalen	Director, Salt Lake County Behavioral Health Services
Valerie Wilde	Division Administrator, Salt Lake City Prosecutor's Office

CJAC Staff Members:

Noella Sudbury	Director, Criminal Justice Advisory Council
Lana Dalton	Project Manager
Tucker Samuelsen	Management Analyst
John Krantz	Data Analyst, Information Services
Sherri Trujillo	Administrative Assistant

County Staff and Members of the Public: Adam Cohen, Bobby Sampson, Dan Blanchard, Erin Bigler, Erin Litvack, Gina Sanchez, Isaac Higham, Jacquite Anderson, Jeannie Edens, Karen Hale, Krisina Swickard, Loggins Merrill, Mary Jo McMillen, Matt Melville, Michelle Miller, Shaleane Gee

Absent: Hon. Brendan McCullaugh, Rep. Eric Hutchings, Mayor Jeff Silvestrini, Jim Bradley, Max Burdick, Chief Mike Brown, Peyton Smith, Valerie Wilde

Excused:

(Note: There may have been others present who did not sign the Attendance Roster)

MEETING CONVENED AT NOON (lunch provided)

Welcome and Introductions

Mayor McAdams welcomed everyone and introductions were made around the room.

Approval of June Full Committee Minutes

Mayor McAdams asked for a motion to approve the June 2018 CJAC meeting minutes. Motion to approve by Sim Gill. Second by Judge Randall Skanchy. Motion carried.

Children, Parents, and Incarceration Survey Project with Utah Valley University

Mayor McAdams reiterated his commitment to being data driven and stated that he is excited for Salt Lake County to partner with Utah Valley University (UVU) on some research.

Noella introduced Luke Peterson, a professor at UVU. She explained that Professor Peterson reached out to her earlier in the year about Operation Rio Grande, and that Noella had an opportunity to meet with Professor Peterson and a few students from his class. Noella explained that this meeting led to additional conversations about a possible research project.

Noella said that she asked Professor Peterson if he and his students would be interested in doing a research project centered on parents and the possible impacts of intergenerational incarceration. Noella shared an experience she had at a NACO conference earlier in the year where a panelist stated that if counties really want to do something about criminal justice reform, they should focus on getting children ready for kindergarten. Noella said that message really stuck with her, and while the county is doing a ton to address adults, she felt like there could be more focus on kids.

Noella explained that the proposed research project is patterned after some research done in jails in Alameda County. As part of this partnership, UVU students will interview approximately 400-500 incarcerated parents on three different days.

Professor Peterson expressed his enthusiasm about the project and stated that he was also interested in conducting some follow up interviews.

Mayor McAdams stated that he looks forward to using this research to figure out better ways to keep families together.

Reducing Cost and Improving Outcomes of Frequent Utilizers through Permanent Supportive Housing

Noella Sudbury introduced Stephanie Mercier, CSH Director, Impact Investment and Kim Keaton, CSH Director, Data and Analytics and thanked them for their time. She explained that for the past year, Salt Lake County has been working with CSH to analyze data to determine the overlap between individuals experiencing homelessness and those who are criminal justice involved.

At this point, Kim and Stephanie gave a powerpoint presentation on their research and conclusions to date.

Following the presentation, Noella stated that she would like to use this data to assist individuals who need housing within Salt Lake County.

The group engaged in a discussion about the presentation. Sim Gill asked about permanent supportive housing looks like. Valerie Walton provided an explanation of this intervention.

Valerie stated that there are 1,100 permanent supportive housing beds available in Salt Lake County for individuals who are chronically homeless. 25% of them are reserved for veterans. Valerie also stated that there is a waiting list of approximately 50-100 individuals.

Valerie further explained that for an individual to qualify as “chronically homeless” under HUD’s definition, he or she must experience literal homelessness for longer than a year or for four or more times in the last three years, for a length of time equal to 12 months. She stated that many individuals do not meet this definition, including those who have:

- Breaks in homelessness due to stays in the treatment or jail;
- Are homeless after a 90+ day stay in treatment or jail.

Noella thanked the presenters and said she looked forward to more discussion on this topic in the future.

Jail Dashboard Project

Mayor McAdams thanked Tucker for collaborating with the jail to design this tool and expressed his excitement it.

Noella Sudbury thanked Sheriff Rivera and Chief Dumont for allowing CJAC to work with their data set. Noella emphasized that this tool is NOT a report card on the jail and that the Sheriff’s Office has very little control over who comes to the jail. Sheriff Rivera thanked CJAC for developing the tool and commented that it has been a tremendous asset to her organization.

Tucker gave a PowerPoint presentation on the jail dashboard. Tucker explained that the tool provides an interactive, visual, real-time look at the population in the Salt Lake County Jail. Among other things, the tool shows how many individuals are housed in the jail, average length of stay for current inmates, as well as demographic information, charge information, and offender needs.

Partner Roundtable

Mayor McAdams reminded everyone that the next CJAC meeting will be in December. Mayor McAdams stated that he would like to focus on the meeting on legislation, and asked for committee members to email Noella about any bills they would like to discuss.

Tim Whalen provided an update on civil commitment orders and the burden and risk of this issue to Salt Lake County.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.

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