

Reentry Council

City & County of San Francisco

Subcommittee on Legislation, Policy & Practices

Draft Minutes

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

2:30-4:30pm

25 Van Ness, Lower Level Conference Room
San Francisco, California

Members Present: Joe Calderon, Melody Fountila, Kathleen Connolly Lacey, Kara Chien, Donna Mandel, Eric Henderson, Victoria Westbrook, Becky LoDolce, Mark Walsh, Tara Anderson.

Members Absent: Tara Agnese, Woods Ervin, Freda Randolph Glenn, Leslie Bilbro, Nicholas Gregoratos, Ash Lynette; Jose Bernal

Guest Present: Linda Connolly

1. **The subcommittee reviewed the draft minutes for March 21, 2018 and May 16, 2018.**

The subcommittee established quorum during the meeting and the committee was able to approve the minutes.

2. **Staff Report-**

a. Guidelines for policy implementation:

Geoffrea provided the group with a two-page “How to Create a Policy Implementation Team” to focus on passed legislation. Geoffrea envisioned these workgroups would research passed legislation that the Reentry Council had supported and that each assigned workgroup would evaluate how the legislation was working and how it was impacting the reentry community. The workgroup would also research whether or not the legislation had been rolled out.

Committee member, Eric Henderson, stated the committee should focus on 1 to 2 passed legislation and track it. Committee member, Becky LoDolce, shared with the committee how time consuming this process could be. She shared with the committee the amount of time and effort that she and others have been exerting with the Stop the Gang Injunction Coalition. She too agreed the group should work on 1 to 2 passed legislation and research and its impact. The consensus of the group was to look at bills that had been passed in the last year (2017) or two (2016) and see what bills the committee might be interested in for further follow-up. Eric Henderson talked about SB 10, Bail Reform. He stated this bill had been supported last year by the committee and the Council. He stated the bill was still alive and that it would definitely be a bill requiring continuous monitoring.

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b. Getting Out and Staying Out Provider list:

Geoffrea informed the committee that Adult Probation Department was working on making an updated version of its “ Getting Out and Staying Out Guide.” Geoffrea directed the group to page 9 in their packet. She stated if anyone wanted their organization or agency included in the guide that they needed to follow the format provided on page 9. She also told them that they needed to send their entry to Destiny Pletsch with the Reentry Division immediately.

c. Reentry Council Budget:

Geoffrea informed the committee that subcommittee member and Reentry Council appointee, Jose Bernal, had asked for the Reentry Council and its subcommittees to be provided a small budget in order to host community meetings, lobby days and other events. Geoffrea informed the Council that she would work with Adult Probation’s Reentry Director, Lauren Bell, to see if the Reentry Council and subcommittees could be provided a budget to do the activities envisioned for the fund. Geoffrea promised to report back to the group at its September meeting.

d. Recruitment for the Reentry Council & Subcommittees

Geoffrea directed the committee to pages 10- 16. She shared with members what Adult Probation Department’s Reentry Division had been doing to increase the number of individuals engaged in the Reentry Council’s subcommittees and the Reentry Council. Geoffrea encouraged everyone to share the documents that APD had generated to their extended networks.

e. Meeting the New Mayor

Geoffrea informed the group that Mayor Breed had been sworn in last week. She asked if the committee was interested in meeting with the mayor to talk about problems and solutions for the reentry community. She informed the subcommittee that the meeting with the Mayor would have to be approved by the Reentry Council but that the committee would work on getting on her calendar and expressing the issues presently and foreseeably impacting the reentry community. The subcommittee unanimously agreed that this was a good idea to meet with Mayor Breed after the Reentry Council had approved such meeting. Several members spoke about Mayor Breed’s support to the reentry community in regards to fines and fees and how her legislation had effectively removed barriers for the reentry community.

f. Community Flyers

Geoffrea directed the committee’s attention to page 17-19 of their packet. She informed the committee of two community events geared towards the Reentry Community. The first event was the showing of the film “Life After Life” at the Koret Auditorium on August 8, 2018. The second event was the Restorative Justice Ministry annual Reentry Conference and Resource Fair scheduled for September 7, 2018.

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3. Gang injunctions report

Subcommittee member Becky Lodolce informed the group that more than half of the individuals placed on the City Attorney's Gang injunction list had been removed. Becky stated there are 50+ individuals still active on the City Attorney's gang injunction list.

4. 2018 State Legislation Status

Geoffrea informed the committee as to which legislation had and move out of its house of origin. Below is the status of each bill that was endorsed by the Reentry Council.

AB1940- This bill failed in the Assembly

AB2138- This bill is presently being heard in the Senate.

SB1025- This bill is presently being heard in the Assembly.

SB1105- This bill failed in the Senate.

SB1392- This bill failed in the Senate.

SB1393- This bill is presently being heard in the Assembly.

SB906- This bill is presently being heard in the Assembly.

SB1437- The Reentry Council did not endorse this bill despite this subcommittee interest in the bill. This bill is presently being heard in the Assembly.

5. Subcommittee Transition Period (discussion only)

a. Review Subcommittee Rules:

The subcommittee reviewed the rules one final time before having them submitted to the Reentry Council for approval.

b. Review Mission Statement:

The subcommittee reviewed its past mission statement.

c. Strategic Planning for the Subcommittee for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019:

The subcommittee agreed that it should began some form of strategic planning for this present fiscal year.

d. 2018 Mid-year Goals:

The subcommittee spoke about hosting community forums and lobbying more in the next legislative cycle.

e. Retreat ideas and take away:

The subcommittee agreed that the retreat would cover mid-years goals.

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6. Subcommittee roster (discussion and possible action)

The new subcommittee members were added to the new roster.

7. Member Roundtable and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (discussion only)

There were no suggestions for next meeting agenda items.

8. Adjournment