

# ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 14, 2016  
1:00 p.m.

Supervisor Richard Valle, Chair  
Supervisor Scott Haggerty

Location: Board of Supervisors' Chambers – Room 512 – 5th Fl  
County Administration Building  
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

## Summary/Action Minutes

### I. Update on Juvenile Probation Fee Moratorium Implementation

Kevin Hing, Assistant Controller, Auditor-Controller Agency, gave a brief update on the Juvenile Probation Fee Moratorium.

The Juvenile Probation Fee Moratorium was effective as of March 29, 2016, and any payments received after that date will be refunded to families. The number of families affected is approximately 3,000 with 12,000 accounts. Payments received as a result of garnishments from the Franchise Tax Board or credit card payments will be promptly refunded. Restitutions and court fines will still apply and must be paid. The County has closed down all of the Financial Hearing Offices, posted notices, and sent letters to families in the system to notify them of the changes.

LaDonna Harris, Chief, Probation Department reported that the Probation Department has not had any conversations with judges concerning vacating orders that include probation fees. Ms. Harris stated that as of now the judges' orders will stand with no collection of probation fees. The County does not have does not have any authority over the courts.

**Purpose:**

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

**Recommendation from Supervisor Valle:** Supervisor Valle recommended that County Administrator's Office, Probation Office, Public Defender and the Office of the County Counsel to continue to inform families about the moratorium.

### II. Animal Control Service Fees – *continued from March 10, 2016*

[Attachment](#)

Carol Stavert, Supervisor, Animal Control Unit, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, presented a proposal to increase certain Animal Control Services fees.

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**Recommendation from Supervisor Valle:** Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

### III. Coroner's Bureau Fees – *continued from March 10, 2016*

[Attachment](#)

Riddick Bowers, Lieutenant, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, presented a proposal to increase the Body Removal Fee and the Private Autopsy Fee charged by the Coroner's Bureau.

The current fee charged by the Coroner's Bureau for Body Removal is \$254 and the proposed new fee is \$333. The current fee charged for a private autopsy by the Coroner's Bureau is \$2,000 and the proposed new fee is \$4,000.

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**Recommendation from Supervisor Valle: Move to the full Board of Supervisors.**

### IV. Youth Chaplaincy Services at the Juvenile Justice Center

[Attachment](#)

LaDonna Harris, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Youth Chaplaincy Services at the Juvenile Justice Center.

The California Administrative Code and the California Penal Code mandate the provision of specific services relative to the religious and spiritual welfare of inmates. The Probation Department provides opportunities for juveniles to participate in religious services and counseling on a voluntary basis at the Juvenile Hall and Camp Sweeney.

The Probation Department has ensured availability of clergy and dietary restrictions and a focus on protestant and Catholic religious practices however a wider range of spirituality services must be offered.

The Probation department has been engaged in a contract with Acts Full Gospel Church for spiritual services without a bid process since 2012. The Probation Department has been satisfied with the services of Acts Full Gospel Church however the Probation Department seeks to gain diversity through a Request For Proposal (RFP) process for spiritual and religious services at the Juvenile Justice Center.

Led by Pastor Diane Robinson, the Sons of Thunder, residents and a former resident at the Juvenile Justice Center: Giovanni, Caleb, Zion, Dominic and Jamaria sang "No Longer Slaves" and Caleb recited a poem y Caleb.

**Speakers**

Pastor Bob Jackson, Acts Full Gospel, stated that he spoke with Supervisor Haggerty in 2011 with an interest in providing chaplaincy services at the Juvenile Hall. Acts Full Gospel Church is able to partner with any religious or spiritual persons of their faith and their chaplaincy services all religious beliefs. Pastor Jackson would like to continue chaplaincy services at the Juvenile Justice Center.

Pastor Matthews supports Acts Full Gospel full support of an RFP process, for religious services.

Steve Jones stated that on behalf of Supervisor Wilma Chan, District 3, she is supportive of the extension of the contract of Acts Full Gospel for chaplaincy services.

Pastor Diane Robinson stated that she has been a part of the Chaplaincy Program for the past 15 years and has served as lead chaplain and has always provided diversity, including the LGBT community.

Darris Young stated that he understands the need for the procurement process and he believes the chaplaincy services are a direct result of decreased children at juvenile hall.

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**Recommendation from Supervisor Valle: Move to the full Board of Supervisors.**

**V. AB 109 Year 5 Status Report and Year 6 Planning Update**

[Attachment](#)

Neola Crosby, Reentry Coordinator, Probation Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on AB 109 Year 5 and Year 6 Planning Update.

**Education & Employment**

Requests for Proposals have been released for education and employment contracts in the amount of \$1 million for education and \$3 million for employment. Bidder's conferences were held in Hayward and Oakland in March with thirty-four attendees.

The case management RFP for \$1 million is still being developed. The Pre-trial Services program for \$1.7 million is being drafted and the "For us By us" community based reentry service program for \$1 million are refining their priorities.

The Community Advisory Board is working on strategies to fill vacancies, such as flyers, announcements and convening a CAB Working Group.

A consultant has been hired to provide an evaluation of the Realignment Services in the County.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Domenica Cardenas, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, stated that she wanted to bring to the attention of the Committee the inconsistencies in tracking and referrals of DUI offenders, which results in an increase in public safety risk. Alameda County has been identified via the Annual DUI Report from the California Department of Motor Vehicles, as having a high DUI recidivism rate and a low DUI conviction rate. MADD would like to prevent more tragedies from happening and requests Alameda County determine why DUI offenders are not being referred for substance abuse.

Victor Salinas requests support to have DUI offenders referred to substance abuse programs in Alameda County.