



Snohomish County Council
Law and Justice / Human Services Committee
Meeting Minutes

Jared Mead, Committee Chair
Sam Low, Committee Vice-Chair
Committee Members: Stephanie Wright, Nate Nehring, Megan Dunn

Heidi Beazizo, Senior Legislative Analyst
Angela Ewert, Legislative Aide
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

1:00 PM

**Jackson Board Room
& Remote Meeting**

PRESENT:

Committee Chair Mead
Committee Vice-Chair Low
Committee Member Wright (*remote*)
Committee Member Nehring (*not present*)
Committee Member Dunn (*not present*)
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff
Judge Bruce Weiss, Superior Court
Andrew Somers, Superior Court
Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director
Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council
Cheri Danner, Asst. Clerk of the Council

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment in-person and remote via Zoom.

ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and stated that three members were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion 22-281, adopting success metrics related to law and justice backlog [2022-0655](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Aide, provided a staff report explaining that during the June 13, 2022, Law and Justice/Human Services Committee meeting, the Council directed staff to draft a motion adopting the proposed metrics explained in the March 30, 2022, memo and that future metric performance data will be included in the 2023 budget.

ACTION: Move to Regular Agenda, General Legislative Session on July 13th for consideration.

2. Motion 22-282, providing updated direction to Council and Executive staff regarding the allocation of revenues appropriated by the state legislature pursuant to the Puget Sound Taxpayer Accountability Act (PSTAA) RCW 43.79.520 [2022-0660](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and spoke about proposed changes to the PSTAA program that would help reduce administrative burden and use consistent language.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on July 13th for consideration.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. HB 1590 Business Plan [2022-0631](#)
Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director

Mary Jane Brell-Vujovic, Human Services Director, provided a PowerPoint presentation and discussed HB 1590. She explained the need for affordable housing and how HB 1590 funds can be spent to meet those needs.

Discussion continued about where in Snohomish County the resources will be used.

The Committee expressed support for affordable housing and the desire to see more funds used for behavioral health.

2. Denney Juvenile Justice Center (DJJC) Staffing Budget Note Discussion - Andrew Somers, Superior Court Administrator

[2022-0652](#)

Judge Bruce Weiss and Superior Court Administrator Andrew Somers spoke about the Denney Juvenile Justice Center, including issues relating to bed capacity, building space and usage, and reduction in staff.

The Committee thanked Judge Weiss and Administrator Somers.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:41 p.m.