



AGENDA

IMPERIAL COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP (CCP)

Program and Development Subcommittee

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023

Zoom

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Zoom Meeting Information:

Meeting ID: 822 6740 3804

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1. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
- b. Discussion and approval for the continued use of telecommunication services based on current circumstances and local guidelines for a 30-day period.
- c. Approval of CCP Meeting Minutes from October 06, 2022

2. Discussion

- a. Probation & Behavioral Health Partnership Update

3. Agency Updates

- a. Probation Department
 - i. Pretrial Services Update
- b. Imperial County Sheriff's Office
- c. Geo Group
- d. SMART Recovery
- e. ICOE Charter School
- f. New Creations
- g. Additional Updates

4. Informational Item(s) & Announcements

5. **Public Comment** – Limited to items that are not on the agenda. This is an opportunity for Members of the public to speak on any issues within the jurisdiction of the CCP Program & Development Subcommittee. *Due to COVID-19, if any member of the public wishes to observe the meeting or speak they must do so through the provided telecommunication line during this period. Public comments may also be submitted in writing and directed to joseramirez@co.imperial.ca.us to be read during this period.*

6. Adjournment / Next Meeting

September 14, 2022

Imperial County Community Corrections Partnership
Program and Development Subcommittee
324 Applestill Road
El Centro, CA 92243

Subject:

Discussion and approval for the continued use of telecommunication services and remoted meetings based on current circumstances and local guidelines for a 30-day period. (AB 361)

Background:

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill 361, a law that enables local public agencies to continue using teleconferencing without complying with certain Brown Act requirements. This bill is to be effective on October 1, 2021.

On September 29, 2021, the Imperial County Public Health Officer recommended that Imperial County continue remote public meetings of governmental entities (attached.)

On October 5, 2021, the Imperial County Board of Supervisors approved the adoption of a resolution that authorized the continued use of remote meetings for a period of 30 days.

Based on AB 361, if the proclaimed state of emergency remains and a local agency wishes to continue holding meetings in compliance with AB 361, action by the governing body must be reconsidered every 30 days by a majority vote.

Requested Action:

Adopt resolution of the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the period in accordance with the provisions of AB 361.

RESOLUTION OF THE CCP PROGRAM AND DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AUTHORIZING REMOTE MEETINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 361.

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Partnership is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of State Assembly Bill 361 (“AB 361”), section 54963(e) of the California Government Code was amended to make provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a local legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of 54953(b)(3) of the California government Code, subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to section 8625 of the California Government Code, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of person and property within the state caused by conditions as described in section 8558 of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed pursuant to his authority under 8625 of the California Government Code, that a state of emergency exists with regard to the novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, the Governor clarified that the “reopening” of California on June 15, 2021 did not include any change to the proclaimed state of emergency or the powers exercised thereunder; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, neither the Governor nor the Legislature have exercised their respective powers pursuant to 8629 of the California Government Code to lift the state of emergency, either by proclamation or by concurrent resolution in the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer for the County of Imperial has recommended that the local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee believes that it is in the best interest of the public to continue holding remote meetings during the existing state of emergency in accordance with the requirements of AB 361.

NOW, THEREFORE, the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee resolves as follows:

- (1) The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.
- (2) A proclaimed state of emergency exists as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (3) The Local Health Officer recommends that all local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19.
- (4) The meeting organizer for the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution, including implementing social distancing measures at meetings, and conducting meetings in accordance with section 54953(e) of the California Government Code, and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

(5) This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption, and shall be effective until the earlier of thirty (30) days from adoption of the Resolution or such time the CCP Program and Development Subcommittee takes action to extend the time during which it may continue to meet remotely without compliance with section 54953(b)(3) of the California Government Code.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Fernando Jimenez
Subcommittee Chair, CCP Program &
Development Subcommittee

ATTEST:

JOSE LUIS RAMIREZ
Subcommittee Secretary, CCP Program and
Development Subcommittee



COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

JANETTE ANGULO, M.P.A.

Director

STEPHEN W. MUNDAY, M.D., M.P.H., M.S.

Health Officer

Recommendation Regarding Continued Remote Public Meetings of Governmental Entities in Imperial County.

Issued: September 29, 2021

In light of the continued state of emergency related to COVID-19, the Imperial County Health Officer continues to recommend that public bodies meet remotely to the extent possible, specifically including use of newly enacted Assembly Bill 361 to maintain remote meetings under the Ralph M. Brown Act and similar laws.

Among other reasons, this recommendation is made due to the continued threat of COVID-19 to the community, the unique characteristics of public governmental meetings (such as the increased mixing associated with bringing together people from across the community, the need to enable those who are immunocompromised or unvaccinated to be able to safely continue to fully participate in public governmental meetings, and the challenges with fully ascertaining and ensuring compliance with vaccination and other safety recommendations at such meetings), and the continued increased safety protection that social distancing provides as one means by which to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

The Imperial County Health Officer will continue to evaluate this recommendation on an ongoing basis, and will communicate when there is no longer such a recommendation with respect to meetings for public bodies.

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Stephen Munday, M.D., MPH
Health Officer

The Imperial County CCP Program & Development Subcommittee met through the telecommunication service Zoom on Wednesday, November 2, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Don Gorham, Carlos Contreras, Elizabeth Hester, Fernando Jimenez, Guillermo Fernandez, Wendy Betancourt, Roman Hernandez

Guest(s): Jose Luis Ramirez

Call to Order:

Mr. Fernando Jimenez introduced himself as the new chair of the Program & Development subcommittee, welcomed attending members and guests, and called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

a. Roll Call

Mr. Jose Ramirez conducted roll call over Zoom.

b. Discussion and approval for the continued use of telecommunication services based on current circumstances and local guidelines for a 30-day period.

Mr. Jimenez went over the telecommunication resolution regarding the continued use of Zoom for Program & Development meetings; Mr. Carlos Contreras motioned to approve the resolution; Ms. Elizabeth Hester seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

c. Approval of CCP Meeting Minutes from October 6, 2022

After review of the September 14, 2022 minutes, Ms. Hester motioned to approve the minutes; Mr. Gorham seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Presentation(s):

a. Adult Re-Entry Summit Final Preparations

Mr. Jimenez stated that this was going to be the last opportunity to discuss any last minute details or issues regarding the upcoming summit and thanked Ms. Betancourt and Ms. Quezada on all their hard work for the event.

Ms. Betancourt stated that they currently have 44 tables reserved for partners, and are estimating 109 community partners will be attending the event. In addition, they are estimating that 220 probation clients will be attending the event as well, and more will come from the Sheriff's Office and New Creations. Ms. Betancourt noted that in total they are expecting almost 500 people in attendance.

Mr. Jimenez stated that this has been a huge response from the community, and if Mr. Contreras needed additional funds for beverages or food they can pull more money from the requested amount given for this event. Mr. Jimenez added that they most likely won't be getting a DJ for this event due to the time constraints, but will look for another solution.

Mr. Contreras asked if they had any back up plans in case of weather issues. Ms. Betancourt stated they she has been watching the weather forecasts and saw that there doesn't seem to be any major weather issues in the coming week so they should be fine, but they will let community partners know to bring canopies just in case of rain.

Agency Updates:

a. Probation Department

Mr. Jimenez stated that there weren't any major updates to provide currently but the Pretrial program continue to do well.

b. Imperial County Sheriff's Office

No updates provided.

c. GEO Group

Mr. Contreras stated that GEO is doing well and currently has 61 participants enrolled and looking to fill the remaining slots as soon as possible. Mr. Contreras added that he is working on final preparations for the Adult Summit.

d. SMART Recovery

Mr. Don Gorham stated that SMART needs additional participants for the Salton City and Niland groups, but they are doing well in El Centro and Brawley.

e. Workforce Development

Mr. Roman Hernandez stated the agency had a recent recruitment event that was a big success with 300 interviews conducted and resulted in 80-90 people hired by agencies at the event. Mr. Hernandez stated that the agency is working to bring more employment opportunities to Imperial County and will continue to provide more information regarding any upcoming events. Mr. Hernandez added that he is looking forward to the Adult Summit and will be bringing pencils and flyers.

Informational Item(s), and Announcements:

No additional informational items or announcements were made.

Public Comments

There were no public comments providing for this meeting.

Adjournment:

Mr. Jimenez adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m. The next CCP Program and Development Subcommittee meeting will be scheduled in January 2023.