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Honorable Jesús G. García  
Commissioner-7<sup>th</sup> District  
Cook County Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark Street, Room 567  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Commissioner García:

Please see below for the Sheriff's Office responses to the additional questions from the mid-year Budget Hearing. Please let me know if we can provide any further information.

1. Last year was the first year with significant reductions in the jail population resulting in closure of Division 4 and partial closure of Division 2. Please describe the budget and staffing impacts of the actions taken in 2018. Given that those reduced levels have been maintained, what additional reductions, changes or savings in your operations are planned for 2019?

*Please see attached chart for comparison of FY17 and FY18 spending at the Department of Corrections. As you can see, we are on track to spend \$40M less in FY18 at the Department of Corrections due to reductions in the jail population and operational changes. We are still in FY19 budget negotiations, but we plan to further reduce overtime and operational accounts at the DOC for the FY19 budget, as well as limit hiring at the DOC.*

2. When do you anticipate closure of court branches this year and next and describe in any budget impacts or staffing reductions?

*The savings from closures of branch courts will be realized at the Sheriff's Office through turnover rate by potentially not filling vacated positions and reassigning employees as needed. The Sheriff's Office is not leading the branch court closures; therefore, we are not aware of the time frame to realize the savings.*

3. Last year several building closures were proposed at the jail in light of reduced jail population (Specifically Divisions 1 and 17?). How has that proceeded and have any savings been realized?

*Division 1 is fully closed; according to Capital Planning the demolition of the building will begin sometime in the first half of FY19. Division 17 and Division 3 have been demolished. The project is expected to be completed in November 2018; site restoration and some tunnel work below the buildings'*



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*footprint still need to be done. For savings in the Sheriff's Office, please refer to Question 1 and the attached chart. Capital Planning may have information on additional savings in other (i.e., gas, electric, real estate) accounts.*

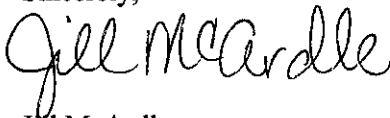
4. How many detainer requests has Cook County received from Immigration and Customs Enforcement this fiscal year? In complying with County Ordinances regarding such requests, describe how records of this are being kept.

*The Sheriff's Office expends no resources regarding ICE detainers pursuant to County ordinance. If we receive a detainer, it is placed in the individual's mitt pack. We do not keep a log of detainers or track them in any way.*

5. Regarding the Regional Gang Database as maintained by the Sheriff's office, how many individuals are on it and how many did the Sheriff's office add in 2017 and 18? Please describe how you use the database including in internal employment decisions if appropriate. How does this database differ from the city of Chicago?

*Due to the complexity of RGID, Brad Curry, Chief of Operations will be reaching out to schedule a meeting to answer your questions about RGID.*

Sincerely,



Jill McArdle  
Budget Director  
Cook County Sheriff's Office

**DOC Budget 2017 vs 2018 Projection**

DOC Fiscal Year 2017 and 2018 Budget Reduction Summary			
	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	Reduction
Salaries	\$ 267,034,426.00	\$ 252,830,010.00	\$ 14,204,416.00
Overtime	\$ 22,904,000.00	\$ 16,000,000.00	\$ 6,904,000.00
Operating	\$ 111,144,355.00	\$ 94,589,831.00	\$ 16,554,524.00
Total	\$ 401,082,781.00	\$ 363,419,841.00	\$ 37,662,940.00
DOC FTEs	4267.7	3870.8	396.9

DOC Fiscal Year 2017 and 2018 Spend Reduction Summary			
	2017 Spend	2018 Projection	Reduction
Salaries	\$ 265,826,148.32	\$ 253,334,348.00	\$ 12,491,800.32
Overtime	\$ 30,049,334.07	\$ 6,773,839.00	\$ 23,275,495.07
Operating	\$ 99,105,036.39	\$ 94,095,340.04	\$ 5,009,696.35
Total	\$ 394,980,518.78	\$ 354,203,527.04	\$ 40,776,991.74
DOC FTEs	4267.7	3870.8	396.9