

Board of Commissioners of Cook County Minutes of the Criminal Justice Committee

Wednesday, December 16, 2020

12:30 PM

Virtual Meeting

ATTENDANCE

Present:Moore, Johnson, Aguilar, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry,
Miller, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Chairman Moore asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code.

1. Elizabeth Clarke, President, Juvenile Justice Initiative

2. Kathryn Culleeny, Illinois Collaboration On Youth

21-0249

COMMITTEE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 7/27/2020

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve 21-0249. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:Moore, Johnson, Aguilar, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry,
Miller, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

20-5424

Presented by: DELRICE ADAMS, Executive Director, Justice Advisory Council

REPORT

Department: Cook County Justice Advisory Council

Report Title: The Annual Report of the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center Advisory Board for 2019

Report Period: Annual Report for 2019

Summary: Pursuant to Cook County Ordinance Art VI. Div. 3. Sec. 2-511-520 the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center Advisory Board (hereinafter "Advisory Board") shall submit to the Executive Director of the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center (hereinafter "JTDC"), the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County, the Board of Commissioners for Cook County, and the President of the Cook County Board of Commissioners an annual report containing public recommendations for actions which may be necessary in carrying out the mission, purpose and intent of the JTDC. The Advisory Board is charged with providing public recommendations on maximizing the use of current resources and on meeting the physical, social, and psychological needs of the JTDC's mission.

This year the Advisory Board focuses its report on the use of punitive room confinement. In previous years the JTDC has shown an increase in the use of room confinements. This report outlines the harmful nature of confinement and the information we have been able to receive regarding the use of confinements in the JTDC. The advisory board issued a number of recommendations including greater transparency and information sharing between the JTDC and the Cook County Board of Commissioners and the public as well as to focus efforts on eliminating solitary confinement. This work was aided by the members of the Advisory Board, ex-officio member Commissioner Stanley Moore, as well as Commissioner Bridget Gainer, whose office has provided insight and guidance.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to recommend for receiving and filing 20-5424. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:Moore, Johnson, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Lowry, Miller,
K. Morrison, Sims and Suffredin (13)

Absent: Aguilar, Gainer, S. Morrison and Silvestri (4)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:Moore, Johnson, Aguilar, Anaya, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Lowry,
Miller, K. Morrison, S. Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

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Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Romen B. Dham

Secretary

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