



MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, November 18, 2021

3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

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- I. Call to Order/Introductions
- II. Approval of Agenda/Meeting Minutes
- III. Oral Communications
- IV. Executive Committee – Discussion/Consent
 - Approval/Adoption of 2021 Report
 - Vote for adoption of Ad Hoc Committee for a Behavioral Health Report
- V. Acceptance of Written Standing Reports
(Clarifying questions only)

Individual reports include updates from:

 1. Community Corrections Partnership
 2. Santa Cruz County Anti-Crime Team
 3. North County BASTA
 4. Youth Action Network
- VI. Grant Opportunities and Updates
- VII. Legislative Updates
- VIII. Adjournment/Next Meeting

Calendar of 2022 Council Meetings

The full council meets quarterly on the second Thursday of the month from 3:00 to 5:00 pm as follows:

- February 10, 2022
- May 12, 2022
- August 11, 2022
- November 10, 2022

Calendar of 2022 Executive Committee Meetings

The Executive Committee meets quarterly on the third Thursday of the month prior to the full Council meeting from Noon to 1:00 as follows:

- January 20, 2022
- April 21, 2022
- July 21, 2022
- October 20, 2022

Notice regarding Criminal Justice Council: The Criminal Justice Council of Santa Cruz County meets quarterly on the second Thursday of the month from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on a schedule determined by the Council. The meetings are held virtually via Microsoft Teams, subject to change.

Agenda and Agenda Packet Materials: The Criminal Justice Council Agenda and the complete agenda packet are available at 5200 Soquel Avenue, Santa Cruz CA 95062 on the Monday prior to the Thursday meeting. Need more information? Contact the CJC Administrative Assistant at cjcsantacruzcounty@gmail.com.

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ADDENDUM TO MEETING AGENDA

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IV. Executive Committee – Discussion/Consent

- Adoption of AB 361 – Resolution Authorizing Teleconference Meetings

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER ASSEMBLY BILL 361 AS A RESULT OF THE CONTINUING COVID-19 PANDEMIC STATE OF EMERGENCY AND HEALTH OFFICER RECOMMENDATION FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic pursuant to California Government Code section 8550 et seq., which remains in effect; and,

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed Assembly Bill 361 (“AB 361”), which amended Government Code section 54953 to permit legislative bodies subject to the Brown Act to meet under modified teleconferencing rules provided that they comply with specific requirements set forth in the statute; and,

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2021, Santa Cruz County Public Health Officer Dr. Gail Newel strongly recommended that legislative bodies in Santa Cruz County continue to engage in physical/social distancing by meeting via teleconference as allowed by AB 361 and confirmed that she will regularly review and reconsider this recommendation and notify the public when it is no longer recommended; and

WHEREAS, on November 18th, 2021, the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council held its initial teleconference meeting under AB 361; and

WHEREAS, after its initial AB 361 teleconference meeting, a legislative body can continue to hold such teleconference meetings if a state of emergency remains active, or local officials have recommended measures to promote social distancing, if the legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and determined either that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person or that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and

WHEREAS, the findings set forth in the paragraph immediately above must be made within 30 days of the date the legislative body first held a teleconferenced meeting pursuant to AB 361; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council made the required AB 361 findings regarding the COVID-19 pandemic at its meeting of November 18th, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds that there is a continuing threat of COVID-19 to the community and finds that requiring all members of legislative bodies to appear in-person at meetings presents greater risk to the health and safety of meeting participants stemming from reduced social distancing among people of different communities, increased exposure for those who are immunocompromised or unvaccinated, and challenges associated with fully ascertaining and ensuring compliance with vaccination, face coverings, and other safety measures at such public meetings; and

WHEREAS, this Council typically meet in-person in public facilities where other essential governmental functions take place, such that increasing the number of people present in those buildings may impair the safety of participants and members of the public; and

WHEREAS, as required by AB 361, this Council has reconsidered the circumstances of the current state of emergency and finds that the COVID-19 pandemic continues to directly impact the ability of its members to meet safely in person and further finds that the Santa

Cruz County Public Health Officer continues to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety, due to the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19 the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council deems it necessary to utilize the teleconferencing rules set forth in AB 361; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council hereby RESOLVES and ORDERS as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are adopted as findings of the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council as set forth within the body of this Resolution.

Section 2. Effective immediately, the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council will meet using the teleconference rules authorized under AB 361 and Government Code section 54953(e)(3).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council, State of California, this ____ day of _____, 20__, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Chair, Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council

ATTEST: _____
Clerk of the Santa Cruz County Criminal Justice Council