

Arapahoe County

Board of County Commissioners Study Session

Meeting Minute Summaries

Monday, April 19, 2021

Virtual Meeting (details in agenda)

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Commissioners Present

Carrie Warren-Gully
Nancy Sharpe
Jeff Baker
Nancy Jackson - Absent
And Excused
Bill Holen

Others Present

Ron Carl	Joleen Sanchez
Michelle Halstead	Janet Mund
Katherine Smith	Cheryl Ternes
John Christofferson	Erin Powers
Kurtis Niemeyer	Tyler Brown
Jacquelyn Bayard	Greg Romberg
Bryan Weimer	Linda Haley
Jessica Gapuzan	Lisa Stairs
Melissa Dahlin	Lisa Stairs
Writer Mott	Dan Perkins

Study Session Topics

9:00 A.M. Calendar and Board Updates

Michelle Halstead, Director, Communication and Administrative Services

10:30 AM Strategy and Performance Update

Manisha Singh, Director, Strategy and Performance

11:00 - 11:30 AM BREAK

11:30 AM *State Lobbyist Meeting

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[2021 Legislative Principles](#)
[Bill Tracker](#)

Greg Romberg described the state legislature's last two months working on the budget. The \$800MM stimulus bill from the state has been introduced. The legislature has been pushing for more control on funding allocation from the next stimulus bill.

Commissioner Sharpe inquired what 'push back' means in terms of where the legislature stands with appropriation. Greg described that it may have more to do with balance of power of appropriation between the Governor and Legislature.

The house accepted the amendments form the redistricting bill HB21-1047.

HB21-1250 was discussed. Sheriff Tyler Brown described that HB21-1250 would move up timelines for implementation of body worn cameras and other hardware; he described that the county does not have the infrastructure to meet the bill in 2021.

SB21-199 Remove Barriers to Certain Public Opportunities was discussed. The bill was in committee last Tuesday (4/13/21). Greg described that two main things were discussed: to repeal the language prohibiting services for undocumented people; what services would be allocated and where would it come from.

Commissioner Warren-Gully inquired if the county would be expected to serve additional people and if so would receive additional funding.

Commissioner Sharpe expressed concerns about the long term effects of the bill after the stimulus is expended.

SB21-201 Stricter Transparency & Enforcement In Child Care was discussed. The recommendation was to shift to a monitor position on this bill. Support for the position was expressed by all attending commissioners.

HB21-1222 Regulation Of Family Child Care Homes was discussed, the bill which has already been passed through the house.

HB21-1264 Funds Workforce Development Increase Worker Skills was discussed and recommended to support. All attending commissioners expressed support.

SB21-231 Energy Office Weatherization Assistance Grants was discussed and recommended to support. All attending commissioners expressed support.

SB21-062 Jail Population Management Tools was discussed. Sherriff Tyler Brown described that the bill would cause missed opportunities and the ability to be flexible on who is brought into the jail for certain crimes, rather than issuing a summons. Commissioner Sharpe supports the Sherriff's position to oppose the bill.

Commissioner Warren-Gully described she has heard rumors of a collective bargaining bill that may affect the county. Greg mentioned he had not heard of such.

HB21-1115 Board of Health Member Requirements bill was amended in the legislature.

Meeting went into Recess

Meeting Reconvened

1:00 - 1:30 PM BREAK

1:30 PM *Aid to Agencies Evaluation Follow-up Discussion

Attachments: [Board Summary Report](#)
[Geographical Analysis of 2021 Agencies](#)
[County Trends and Demographics](#)

The purpose of this study session was to provide an update on the requests from the Board at the March 30, 2021 study session including recommendations on which agencies should be required and competitive as well as a geographical analysis of the 2021 agencies.

Commissioner Sharpe inquired about recording requirements.

Cheryl Ternes mentioned that the board would want funded agencies on report back to the board on service level.

Commissioner Holen echoed Commissioner Sharpe's comments to be able to measure success of where the funds are allocated to.

Commissioner Sharpe inquired if the award for the jail, detention center, and Sherriff's department would be separate from what is described on the report.

Commissioner Baker inquired if some of these services would be under a contract rather than under an award for an agency.

Commissioner Sharpe expressed concerns that some agencies may begin to rely on and expect county awards.

Commissioner Baker inquired how some agencies were selected for Aid to Agencies instead of others.

Commissioner Sharpe inquired if Arapahoe County was funding certain agencies in full or if other counties were contributing.

It was decided to have further discussion regarding these award funds.

Meeting went into Recess

Meeting Reconvened

2:30 PM Administrative Meeting - Strategic Plan Update

3:30 PM *Executive Session

Executive Study Session and County Attorney Administrative Meeting [Section 24-6-402(4)(b)C.R.S.](As required by law, specific agenda topics will be announced in open meeting prior to the commencement of the closed and confidential portion of this session)

Ron Carl, County Attorney

Administrative Item: Fireworks Ordinance

The motion was made by Commissioner Baker and duly seconded by Commissioner Holen that the Board go into executive session pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(d) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to discuss specialized details of security measures for County buildings, and under 24-6-402(4)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to receive legal advice regarding the following matters:

- 1. Jessica Roe notice of claim**
- 2. Fuentas-Rojas notice of claim**
- 3. Hussain v. BOCC lawsuit**

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