# Agenda

**Discussion / Summary**

**Handouts**
Agenda, November 2018 minutes, CPCC 2018 Program Analysis, Competency Diversion Program Funding Request

**Attendance**
Leo Alirez, Kyla Armstrong-Romero, Rob Bremer, Shawn Cohn, Patrick Firman, Elias Diggins, Joe Homlar, Paul Kashmann, Deanna Maes, Greg Mauro, Beth McCann, Sean McDermott, Helen Morgan, Wayne New, Alice Norman, Deborah Ortega, Paul Pazen, Ron Saunier, Gabriela Sandoval, Robert Schleper, Theresa Spahn

Guests: Bennie Milliner, Robert Peek, Feven Netsanet, Sasha Rai, Carleigh Sailon, Chris Richardson, Melissa Drazen-Smith

Staff: Lisa Straight, Jeff Holliday, Charlie Garcia, Candy Romero, Daniel Nelson, Jenny Hill, Cindy Laub, Kevin Kelly

**Minutes**
Helen Morgan asked for a motion to approve the minutes with corrections; correct names were added to the attendance. Ron Saunier moved to approve the minutes. Deborah Ortega seconded the motion. December minutes approved.

**Discussion / Updates**

**Welcome and Introductions**

**Committee Updates**

- New CPCC Ordinance. Transitioned CPCC from DHS to DDPHE. Move away from fixed appropriation to budget planning cycle which aligns with how other city commissions operate. Addition of new commission voting members: Alice Norman and Beth McCann.
- Greg and Helen were set to be co-chairs through December 2018 but will stay on through March 2019 meeting. Helen asked for a motion to approve extension of chair and co-chair. Councilwoman Ortega moved to approve. Kyla Armstrong-Romero seconded the motion. All in favor; non-opposed,

**Decisions and Action Items**

Candy will send the new ordinance to commission members
no abstentions. Motion passed. Please contact Helen and/or Greg if interested in being the chair or co-chair prior to the March meeting. Chair and co-chair share an interest in new candidates having both institutional and community knowledge.

Budget Sub-Committee report and discussion, funded programs analysis – Cindy Laub

- All contracts and MOUs expired at the end of 2018. 2019 funding is the same as 2018 to maintain status quo. Budget office awaiting direction/recommendations from the CPCC retreat scheduled for January 25, 2019.
- Denver Adult Drug Court underwent evaluation. A reduction in number of drug court participants would allow the court to better serve its participants. Divided drug court into standard drug court, a specialty mental health track which works in partnership with MHCD, and a veteran’s court.
- Sobriety Court now accredited by state, is now the second Colorado DUI court to meet the ten guiding principles/best practices. Felony DUI’s moved to Restart which resulted in a decrease in sobriety court population. Looking to cap the program at one 150 participants to provide best service.
- Wellness Court completely overhauled using national standards, evidence-based practices, and best practices with the help of stakeholders. Due to reduction in housing units available, the Court reduced the number of participants because the it was using a housing-first model. The number of people served in this program should increase as housing becomes more available. Potential for the use of cities process improvement resources.
- Outreach Court meets biweekly at the Denver Rescue Mission. People experiencing homelessness may also attend Project Homeless Connect and Veterans Stand Down
- Pre-trial supervision approaching a 60% unsecured release rate in Denver for felonies over a ten-year period. An assessment is conducted on any new felony investigative hold, all levels of domestic violence cases, and habitual DUI or DUID offenders.
  - Co-Responder program is a partnership with Denver police. Officers and clinicians are both part of the solution. Due to difficulty in tracking success, recommendation made to use a qualitative approach to understand successes and possibly seeking help from the Behavioral Health Committee (BHC).
• Sheriff’s Work Program (SWP is for adult inmates (ages 18+). Different programs are available to juveniles.
• The Driving Under Restraint (DUR) navigation program hasn’t received permission yet to start hiring. Researching flow of cases, understanding who will be referred, and what it would take for driver’s licenses to be reinstated.
• Fast Track Drug Cases – program name pending, starting recruitment

Competency Diversion Program
• If the commission votes to fund the program, funding will be available. However, if the commission does not vote to fund the program, those funds will not be available for other programs. Strategies are personalized to help individuals navigate and coordinate systems rather than simply providing referrals. Access to a language line to reduce language barriers.
• Vote tabled until after the CPCC retreat (January 25, 2019) and program will be addressed at the February CPCC meeting.

Commission information
• CPCC Budget Retreat will be January 25th, 2019, 9:00am-3:00pm, at the Webb Building, 201 W. Colfax, Room 1B6 (Clerk and Recorder’s Office).

Updates and announcements – none shared due to time constraint

Helen Morgan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kyla Armstrong-Romero moved to adjourn the meeting. Deanna Maes seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed. Meeting adjourned.
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<th>February 20, 2018, 3:00 p.m.– 4:30 p.m., at the Webb building, 201 W. Colfax, Room 1B6 (Clerk and Recorder’s Office)</th>
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