RESOLUTION CLARIFYING ESTABLISHMENT AND ROLE OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COMMITTEE (CJCC) IN ADAMS COUNTY

Resolution 2014-323

WHEREAS, on October 31, 2011, the Adams County Board of Commissioners adopted a Resolution establishing the formation of a Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) based upon the various recommendations from the National Institute of Corrections (NIC); and,

WHEREAS, multiple agencies of the State, County and local governments share responsibilities for the effective administration of the criminal and juvenile justice systems within Adams County; and,

WHEREAS, other non-governmental entities also play a critical role in the County’s justice system, including, but not limited to victim advocacy, service groups, community treatment providers, and the various school districts; and,

WHEREAS, in order to best meet the goal of protecting the safety of the citizens of the County, it is necessary that these various allied entities coordinate their efforts and work together to evaluate and identify evidence-based programs and services that will improve our justice systems; and,

WHEREAS, the CJCC should be comprised of elected officials including, but not limited to the District Attorney, Sheriff, and a Commissioner Representative, as well as key department heads, judges, law enforcement representatives, State, County, and municipal court and justice service agencies, community-based service agencies, victim services, schools, and any others who may be integral to improving the County’s justice system.

WHEREAS, the purpose of the CJCC is to provide an ongoing forum for leaders from the criminal justice agencies, general governments and communities in Adams County to discuss and prioritize justice and public safety issues, and to coordinate resources to address issues in the most data-guided, cost-effective, and equitable ways possible; and,

WHEREAS, the CJCC will draw upon expertise from local, State and federal agencies, community-based service agencies, victim services, and individuals to develop recommendations and strategies for accomplishing this mission; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners looks forward to receiving additional recommendations for consideration from the Committee as to improvements that can made to Adams County’s justice system that are within the Commissioners operational and financial authority; and,

WHEREAS, the goal of the CJCC is to facilitate systemic changes in the County's entire justice system through a shared commitment and collaboration amongst agencies; while evaluating and promoting continuous improvements within the justice system; all the while, strengthening
communication amongst justice agencies to eliminate redundant services and maximize available resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners believes that the CJCC should continue to work collaboratively to enhance services, strengthen public safety, maximize available resources, and recommend strategies that will reduce crime and increase the public’s confidence in the entire criminal justice system in Adams County; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners intends that the CJCC operate as an independent committee and that its members elect their chair and establish such by-laws as they deem necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners reaffirms its continued support of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee, as well as its goals, mission and operational function, as described herein, to improve the overall criminal justice system in Adams County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Board of County Commissioners authorizes the expenditures of funds, as deemed necessary, to support the activities and personnel of the CJCC.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution supersedes all previous resolutions related to the formation of a Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee.
Upon motion duly made and seconded the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Henry________________ Aye
Tedesco________________ Aye
Hansen________________ Aye
Commissioners

STATE OF COLORADO  )
County of Adams    )

I, ____________________, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners in and for the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the annexed and foregoing Order is truly copied from the Records of the Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners for said Adams County, now in my office.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County, at Brighton, Colorado this 19th day of August, A.D. 2014.

County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Karen Long:

By:

Deputy