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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

9:00 AM

BOCC Meeting Room

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners

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ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:05 a.m. on April 18, 2018 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chairman David T. Dennis, with the following present: Chair Pro-Tem Commissioner David M. Unruh; Commissioner Michael B. O'Donnell II; Commissioner Richard Ranzau; Commissioner James M. Howell; Mr. Michael Scholes, County Manager; Mr. Thomas Stolz, Deputy County Manager; Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor; Mr. David Spears, Assistant County Manager of Public Works, Facilities Maintenance, Project Services and County Engineer; Ms. Karen Bailey, Chief Deputy Clerk, Ms. Linda Kizzire, County Treasurer; Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Assistant Director, Developmental Disability Organization; Ms. Eileen McNichol, Director, Human Resources; Mr. Brent Shelton, Director, Economic Development and Tax System; Ms. Glenda Martens, Director, Division of Corrections; Dr. Shelly Steadman, DNA Technical Leader/Manager, Regional Forensic Science Center; Ms. Penny Poland, Director, Fleet Management; Mr. Will Deer, Assistant County Counselor; Mr. Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kate Flavin, Public Information Officer; Ms. Heddie Page, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

*Mr. Alan Trenary, 1461 North Burns Street, Wichita, Kansas
Ms. Donna Hawzipta, Retiree
Mr. Jeff Fluhr, President, Greater Wichita Partnership
Ms. Debbie Gann, Senior Manager Sales and Marketing, Spirit AeroSystems, Inc.
Ms. Sylvia Penner, Attorney, Fleeson, Goeing Attorneys at Law*

INVOCATION: Dr. Keith Peter, Calvary Baptist Church, Cheney.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners were present.

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

PUBLIC AGENDA

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. We have one speaker signed up today, Mr. Alan Trenary. Please approach the podium and you have three minutes, please."

Mr. Alan Trenary, 1461 North Burns Street, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Okay. I want a, I appreciated the words of wisdom, hearing the words of Benjamin Franklin and his perspective on why we pray before meetings is very enlightening. "Religion was very important to the founding fathers and there was also a lot of other rowdy things that the folks that were involved in forming this country were fond of doing as well. I came here from Colorado. My grandparents lived here my entire life. I want to

emphasize that I've always been very politically active. My brother was a County Commissioner and City Councilman in Loveland, Colorado, and I was heavily involved with the process of getting cannabis and marijuana and such as I spoke to before. I also have had people very important to me pass away from cancer recently, and I had a client that I took care of back in Colorado commit suicide when she was, when I informed her that I was going to have to leave Colorado and wasn't going to be able to care for her anymore and come here, because of just things that took place around my activism back in Colorado.

"It's very difficult, because I regularly have disturbing dreams, because there's two ladies that I was involved with back in Colorado that committed suicide, and I regularly have dreams of I don't know which one of them is coming and beseeching to me in my dreams, but it tends to be kind of heavy and disturbing, just to put it lightly. My mother has COPD (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) and congestive heart failure. It gets difficult sometimes.

"I just really want to emphasize to you that this situation with Andrew Finch and Officer [Justin] Rapp, I approached Lisa yesterday and wanted to speak to her, and because I was wearing my boss uniform, she didn't trust me. She didn't want to talk to me. I was wearing my suit like what I had on the last time I spoke to you. She felt that her response was who are you, and why do you want to talk to me? Then as I was leaving, I stepped into the men's room, and it was full of law enforcement officers. I will have to say it was a little frosty, because I got up and left with everybody that was speaking negatively. I have no negative feelings towards law enforcement.

"I respect Chief Ramsey in a major way. I think that he's a wonderful man. I feel that we are very, very blessed to have him as our Police Chief. I was at the Sunflower Community Action Center when he was giving his welcome, and he was speaking to the group. That was the night of the Excel mass shooting, and he was casually meeting with everybody, and people kept on coming in and talking to him. He got up and left at one point. He came back in and remained very calm. I'll wrap it up real quick here. After the meeting, as we were leaving, I asked him what was going on, and he told me it was a mass shooting, and as we were walking in the parking lot, he approached a car that I drive, my mother's car, and I had a bunch of bumper stickers on it, you know, Barak Obama and various other democratic activism bumper stickers. Chief Ramsey says, oh my God, there's a democrat in Kansas, and I laughed. I said, well, there are more of us out here, but I realize the atmosphere. But I really do want to emphasize that I appreciate my chance to be able to speak to you, and I'll wrap it up. Thank you, and God bless you all. I appreciate your service."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you for being here today. I don't have anyone else that is signed up to speak on today's public agenda. If anyone else is in the audience, though, we give you the opportunity. If you would like to speak now, please approach the podium. Seeing none, Madam Clerk, next item."

APPOINTMENTS

- A [18-315](#) ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF DAVID KENNEDY FROM THE SALEM TOWNSHIP BOARD CLERK POSITION.
Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Accept the Resignation.

Mr. Eric Yost, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Mr. Chairman, items A and B can be taken together. Item A, is the resignation of David Kennedy as Salem Township Clerk. This item should be considered in conjunction with item B, because item B is a resolution appointing Ms. Joni Hobbs to fill that unexpired term to serve as Salem Township Clerk. Commissioner Michael O'Donnell is recommending that Ms. Hobbs be appointed, and her term would expire on January 14th of 2019. I'm told that she may be in attendance here today to take the oath. I would urge adoption of both of these items."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Mr. Yost. Commissioner O'Donnell."

Commissioner O'Donnell thanked the Chairman and said, "I'm ready to make a motion if I may."

Chairman Dennis said, "Please do."

Commissioner O'Donnell said, "Before I do that, I would like to thank Mr. Kennedy for his service the last couple of years and also to Ms. Hobbs for taking on this important role in the township. Clem Dickerson is our township Trustee, and so he and I have been in communication over last couple of weeks about getting this filled."

MOTION

Commissioner O'Donnell moved to accept the resignation of David Kennedy and approve Joni Hobbs to the Salem Township as Clerk.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Mr. Yost said, "Do we have Ms. Hobbs?"

Commissioner Unruh thanked the Chairman and said, "Is Ms. Hobbs here?"

Chairman Dennis said, "Joni Hobbs?"

Commissioner Unruh said, "Yeah."

Ms. Karen Bailey, Chief Deputy Clerk, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Raise your right hand. I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Kansas and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Salem Township Clerk so help me God."

Ms. Joni Hobbs, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I do."

Ms. Bailey said, "Very good. Do you want to make a comment?"

Ms. Hobbs said, "No."

Ms. Bailey said, "Okay, then that's it."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you very much. Madam Clerk, next item."

Approved

B [18-314](#)

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JONI HOBBS (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) TO THE SALEM TOWNSHIP IN THE CLERK POSITION AS RECOMMENDED BY COMMISSIONER MICHAEL O'DONNELL.

Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

Action for this item was taken with Item A.

C [18-316](#)

RESOLUTION APPOINTING LAMONT ANDERSON (BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION APPOINTMENT) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY THIRD DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD, AS RECOMMENDED BY THIRD DISTRICT COMMISSIONER DAVID DENNIS.

Presented by: Eric Yost, County Counselor.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt the Resolution.

Mr. Yost said, "Item C is a resolution appointing Mr. Lamont Anderson to the Third District Citizens Advisory Board. This position had been held by Mr. Karl Koster who passed away recently. Chairman Dennis is recommending that Mr. Anderson be appointed to this position. His term would expire on March 21 of 2021. I would urge adoption of this resolution."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Mr. Yost. Again, Karl Koster was a vital member of our community and also on my Citizen's Advisory Board. His loss is a great loss to all of us, but we do have Mr. Lamont Anderson who is stepping up to fill the vacant position that I have on my Citizen's Advisory Board."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to appoint Lamont Anderson to the Third District Citizen's Advisory Board.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II Aye
Commissioner Ranzau Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye
Commissioner Unruh Aye
Chairman Dennis Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "I do not believe that Mr. Anderson is here today. Next item please."

Approved

NEW BUSINESS

D [18-212](#)

PROJECT SEARCH GRADUATION RECOGNITION.

Presented by: Jeannette Livingston, Assistant Director, Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.

VISUAL PRESENTATION

Ms. Jeannette Livingston, Assistant Director, Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm glad to be here to recognize the 2018 graduating class of our Project Search interns.

"As you know, Project Search is a collaborative project with Wichita Public Schools. It provides select students with intellectual and developmental disabilities real world work experience. These students passed on a lot of the fun stuff they could have been doing in school to invest in their future and hopefully promote employment and get kind of a leg up on their competition as far as jobs. Project Search students work about 20 hours a week. They do it in three 10-week rotations. That allows them to explore their kind of vocational interests and refine some skills. We greatly appreciate the Sedgwick County divisions that participate and host interns.

"This year, we had a total of 10 divisions that participated. That included Exploration Place, Print Shop and Mailroom, the Courthouse Cafe, Aging, [Sedgwick County] Zoo, the CDDO (Community Developmental Disability Organization) COMCARE Medical Records, Sedgwick County Records Management, Finance and Human Resources. Before I move on to the students, I did want to thank the staff. We had a teacher, Cheryl Hutcherson, and a job coach this year, and they were both brand new, so they really had to hit the ground running, and they've done an excellent job, and I want to thank you both.

"So without further ado, I want to introduce the graduating students. We have James Benjamin, and James interned at the Courthouse Cafe, Division on Aging, Sedgwick County Zoo and with Human Resources. Through these internships, James has learned to speak up about what he likes and what he doesn't and to really advocate for himself. James is a hard worker and is searching for a part-time job where he can be active. James has excellent computer skills and attention to detail. Congratulations, James.

"Alivia Berlin. Alivia interned with the Division on Aging, the Sedgwick County Records Management and Finance. Alivia has learned to answer incoming phone calls, process mail, alphabetize mail and complete her tasks with accuracy. She's learned to have

confidence in herself and her decision. She's been searching for an office or customer service job where she can use her friendly can-do attitude and she's actually been successful. I found out yesterday that she starts Monday as an office assistant at Center Industries. It's Alivia, thank you.

"Jordan Craft. Jordan interned at Exploration Place and Custodial Services and the Print Shop/Mailroom. He's learned to use all of the print shop equipment. His favorite being the mail meter machine. He enjoys delivering mail to the county departments, and he has learned he has a talent for focusing on his work. He has overcome a lot of his shyness and has better about learning about how to asking for help. He has a great sense of humor, is trustworthy and very responsible. Jordan is looking for part-time employment with an organization where he can be a team member and help people. Yeah, Jordan.

"Loren Kruse. Loren interned at Exploration Place, Explore Store, COMCARE Medical Records and the Print Shop/Mailroom. Loren has learned to focus on her work and was able to achieve 100 percent accuracy at COMCARE Medical Records.

"She's learning to use a variety of office and print shop machines, and Loren says she's really learned how to be more independent this year. Loren would like to gain part-time employment in an office or a customer service position. Do you want to say anything?"

Ms. Loren Kruse, Project Search Graduate, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Yeah, I would like to thank all of you for being here to the Commissionary meeting and thank you for all of the support, including Mitch and Stephanie too."

Ms. Livingston said, "Yohana, how did I get that wrong? Yohana Tekie. Yohana interned at the Print Shop/Mailroom, CDDO and is now at the Via Christi nursing station on the cardiac care floor. She has learned confidence this year and knows that she can do anything she tries. Yohana is very good at following procedures, likes to feel accomplished and has a talent for teaching others. Yohana would like to find a part-time job where she can be around people and use her organizational skills. Yohana, thank you."

Ms. Yohana Tekie, Project Search Graduate, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I would like to thank you for coming and thank you for supporting us."

Ms. Livingston said, "Before I finish here, I just wanted to reiterate how important the Sedgwick County division's participation is, and that this is really a win-win opportunity. It's not just that the students gain excellent skills and abilities but the departments are really the big winners as well. To speak a little bit about that, we have the Sedgwick County Treasurer Linda Kizzire, and her employee Ashlea Thompson."

Ms. Ashlea Thompson, Fiscal Associate, Treasurer's Office, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Hi. I'm Ashley Thompson. I've been here almost three years at my job. I am always responsible, punctual and dependable, and I learn new tasks from my supervisor if she is not available or not busy. I was learning how to be accurate on my work, and I was being reliable on everything, and you are a good person to work with, and I have a lot of punctuality, and I am very respectful and kind to others. I and coworkers need to ask my boss before I get help from them of their tasks if it's available from my supervisor. I help each other with recycling if it's full, and I was being a good hard worker, and I have a excellent supervisor, and I am so grateful

to one another, and I do new stuff at work unless my boss shows me how to do it before I do it independently on my own. Thank you so much all, and I'm Ashlea Thompson. You are Richard, Dave, David, Michael and Jim, and have a good day today."

Ms. Linda Kizzire, County Treasurer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I think Commissioner O'Donnell has a couple of questions."

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioner O'Donnell."

Commissioner O'Donnell said, "Well, I did have a couple of questions Ashlea, but you answered most of them. But I just want to know, do you like Linda [Kizzire]?"

Ms. Thompson said, "She is a good County Treasurer."

Commissioner O'Donnell said, "That's a great endorsement. Thank you, Ashlea."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you."

Ms. Kizzire said, "I just want to say thank you for all of you to continuing your support of Project Search. Once again, I'm putting the challenge out for other county departments to not only have the interns, but actually get some people hired. We've got to get these young people employed, gainfully employed, with Sedgwick County. We need to go to the City of Wichita and start working with them. I know a lot of private businesses need to get involved. So we need some help, guys. So let's put that on our list. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell has a comment."

Commissioner Howell thanked the Chairman and said, "I just want to make a couple of comments. I'm very impressed with James, Alivia, Jordan, Loren and Yohana and Ashlea, and I just want to say, if they continue doing what they're doing now, they can be used in a lot of great opportunities across our city. So I love what they're doing. I just want to pick up those words Ashlea used. She used the words on-time, faithful, accurate, reliable, dependable, responsible. If we can get employees like that in other places around town, we need more. We need more."

"Linda, I want to say thank you for hiring them or hiring Ashlea. She's a tremendous individual demonstrating a great skill set in our community and for the county. So I appreciate her dedication for three years, and I look forward to many more years of her service to the county, but I'm impressed with all of the presentations this morning. I want to say thank you to [Assistant] Director Jeanette Livingston for being part of this program and making this happen. It's important, and I'm impressed. I just want to say thank you for giving us good news this morning. We always like good news, and this has made my day. So I appreciate all you've done to make this a good event today. Oh, by the way, I see in my backup material, there are some kind of cookies or something coming up here."

Ms. Livingston said, "That's right. That's right."

Commissioner Howell said, "Wanted to point that out."

Ms. Livingston said, "We do have a reception immediately following. It's in the county"

boardroom. Hopefully you guys will be able to finish up shortly and come get a cookie and enjoy and just tell the project search students the best wishes.”

Chairman Dennis said, “Well, thank you. Again, on behalf of the entire Sedgwick County Commission, we do appreciate what you do. We appreciate the students being here today for the graduation. We hope that we can get Commissioner Ranzau to be quiet for part of the meeting today so that we can get out of here early...”

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, “Yeah.”

Chairman Dennis said, “...so that we can join you. One other thing that I should have mentioned, we do have one of our elected’s in the audience. She’s already spoken. She had a birthday the other day, and it was the anniversary of her 40th birthday. We want to say...”

Ms. Kizzire said, “A couple of times.”

Chairman Dennis said, “...say happy birthday to our Treasurer. Again, thank you all very much for being here today. We sincerely, it brightens our day, it’s a great way of starting our meeting. Thank you.”

Ms. Livingston said, “Thank you, Commissioners.”

MOTION

Commissioner Howell moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O’Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, “Next item, please.”

Received and Filed

E [18-295](#)

PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT CERTIFICATE TO DONNA HAWZIPTA.

Presented by: Eileen McNichol, Chief Human Resources Officer.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Present the Retirement Certificate.

Chairman Dennis said, “Eileen, welcome.”

Ms. Eileen McNichol, Director, Human Resources, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Thank you very much. We have the opportunity this morning to honor and thank one of our Register of Deeds employees who has served our community with

dedication, commitment and pride. It's my honor this morning to present to you Donna Hawzipta, who has reached a major milestone in her employment, her retirement after 23 years of service.

"Donna was hired on July 3rd, 1995 as a fiscal associate in the Register of Deeds Office, becoming a Register of Deeds Deputy on June 23rd, 2013. Her last day of service with us will be Friday, April 27th, 2018. Donna not only served the citizens of our community but also helped the Register of Deeds Office organize many United Way activities over the years.

"She was also passionate about softball. She started playing at the age of nine (9) and played until she was 41. Donna is a descendent of Comanche Chief Ten Bears. She is half Kiowa and half Comanche She has three children, Beth, Rob and T.J. She also has 10 grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, one great grand dog and one great-grand bird. With all of this, Donna is going to be keeping very busy along with volunteering with United Way and fishing. Congratulations, and thank you Donna, for 23 years of dedication to Sedgwick County. Would you like to say something?"

Ms. Donna Hawzipta, Retiree, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I just want to say that the time that I had here at Sedgwick County has been so wonderful. I've enjoyed my job so much over the years, and all of the people that I got to know were so helpful, and it was just like a big family, and I'm going to miss everyone tremendously. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Donna, thank you very much for being here with us today, and good luck on your retirement. We're going to miss you. While I was mentioning elected officials, I should have just now noticed that Tonya Buckingham is in the back of the room. Thank you very much for being here with us today. I'm sorry I didn't recognize you earlier. Madam Clerk, next item."

F [18-323](#)

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THE PROJECT ECLIPSE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF WICHITA, SPIRIT AEROSYSTEMS, INC., AND ECLIPSE INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION. Presented by: Brent Shelton, Economic Development & Tax System Director, Division of Finance.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the agreement and authorize the necessary signatures.

Mr. Mike Scholes, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'd like to present today we're revisiting Project Eclipse, and as the clerk said, to authorize the execution of Project Eclipse development agreement. The key thing about this are the partners that are here today, and I'd like to recognize them real quick before I say just a few words. First, from Spirit [AeroSystems, Inc.], we do have Jim Cocca, Debbie Gann and Sam Sackett who were pivotal in putting this agreement together. Very excited for them to be here. Getting to see them a lot. We may need to put them on the payroll they're here so much.

"Also from the Greater Wichita Partnership (GWP), friends and partners, Jeff Fluhr and Andrew Nave, who honestly have put a lot of work into this and worked a lot of nights, a lot of phone calls, and I appreciate all their hard work, continued hard work, not only on this but everything they do. They do a great job. I just want to thank them personally for it. Also, those not in the room that really had you know, a lot to do with

this from the City side, Bob Layton, and of course, Scott Rigby. Scott along with Tom [Stolz], probably between the both of our organizations, did a lot of the hard work and bringing Bob and I in for the decision points. But certainly they did a lot of hard work, and I wanted to recognize them along with Brent Shelton, Joe Norton, our lawyer, you got to have a good lawyer, and he certainly is for us on this and many issues. There he is. So I wanted to thank them personally, but also one that we haven't seen very often, but she certainly has helped us out on this, and that's Patty Bradley from WSU (Wichita State University), a research economist and instructor out at WSU. But her e-mail and phone has been worn out, especially in the last couple of weeks as we've gotten towards the end of this deal. So I want to thank you personally for that and for showing up today, and the questions you may be asked. Appreciate you being here.

"Commissioners, last December when you approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Wichita and Spirit AeroSystems related to Project Eclipse, I know you remember that, but it was last November when we started working with the three partners in trying to bring you this project today. We met regularly. This is one of those projects because of Spirit and what a great partner they are for this community and how important they are for this community. It was the one thing that we knew right from the beginning that we wanted to work and collaborate with them and be good partners, and we definitely wanted to see them thrive and survive in this community, because it just benefits us all.

"For this particular presentation, we're going to do it in three parts. First, Brent Shelton, he'll come up and discuss the item from the county's financial economic development perspective, and then I'll ask Jeff Fluhr, if he can come up and talk about the impact of this particular public-private partnership. But I think we definitely would like to hear from Debbie Gann, who will come up and talk from the Spirit AeroSystems side and wrap up the presentation on what this project means from the company's perspective. Three great speakers for three great perspectives to help you in this decision-making process. Once the three speakers have addressed the board, we'll then open up the floor for questions."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you."

Mr. Scholes said, "Alright, Brent."

Mr. Brent Shelton, Director, Economic Development and Tax System, Finance Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm here today to speak about Project Eclipse. As the Manager said, what the item for your consideration is this morning is the approval of a home rule resolution that would authorize the execution of the development agreement and the supporting documents for the Project Eclipse public-private partnership. Project Eclipse is a public-private partnership between Spirit AeroSystems, Sedgwick County and Wichita, Kansas. To give you a little bit of background, Spirit AeroSystems is a global leader in aerospace manufacturing that is head quartered here in our community. In 2005, when Spirit was formed as a spinoff from the Boeing Company, they had 7,000 employees in the local area. Since that time, they've experienced growth, and at the end of last year, had an employment footprint of 10,940 employees in the global economy. That makes them the largest employer in Sedgwick County.

"They're also the second highest taxpayer in the county and last year county revenues alone from Spirit's taxes exceeded \$3 million. As the Manager mentioned, we were approached by Spirit last fall, because of some demand that they had, they needed to

hire more workers. They needed to make job and investment growth, and they were looking at a suitable place to locate that economic activity. In addition to Sedgwick County, there were six other sites that were competing vigorously for this expansion. We were successful in bringing Spirit here and maintaining their current employment levels, and as a result of that, we have the Project Eclipse public-private partnership to share with you today.

"Let's just summarize a little bit what this economic development agreement looks like. I'm going to start with talking about the public commitments that are being made, and then we'll go into the private sector commitments being made by Spirit. The development agreement will be, will create the Eclipse Investment Association. The Eclipse Investment Association is a venture that will be comprised of Spirit AeroSystems, Sedgwick County and the City [of Wichita]. Each of those will form that [Eclipse] Investment Association, and it will be used to fund and then own some real property that will be the catalyst for this expansion at the Spirit campus.

"The funding for the Eclipse Investment Association from the public side will come in terms of \$7 million real property investment made by Sedgwick County, a \$3 million investment in that real estate made by the City of Wichita, and to get the City's commitment at par with the county, they have a purple pipe project that had a \$3.5 million system enhancement fee associated with it. Spirit, they're waiving that. They have also committed to another million dollars in water quality improvements to the water that's being provided to the Spirit campus. In addition to that, the city will issue Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB) that would carry a property tax abatement for five-plus-five years as a result of this partnership.

"The Spirit commitments would be, first of all, within the Eclipse Investment Association, to fund the balance that's necessary to complete the first building that's in this big project. Currently that building is estimated at about \$23 million. So if you have the [\$]7 million investment from the city, or from the county, the \$3 million investment from the City, Spirit is going to be putting in \$13 million into that facility as well. If the building comes in at [\$]24 million, they're going to be putting in [\$]14 [million]. So they're on the hook for the balance after that \$10 million public investment.

"One of the unique things about the commitments that are being made by Spirit is they're committing to maintain and add employees with the commitment for 20 years. That's a big deal in the community to have that commitment of employment for that length of time, but remember that current employment figure at the end of last year at 10,940 employees, they've committed to maintain that level going forward for 20 years and also add a thousand new jobs at their facility and maintain that level over 20 years. Those thousand jobs come in the first two years, in 2018 and 2019. They're not just jobs, these are good value-added jobs with a base wage level of \$56,000 per year. That in and of itself is over a billion dollar commitment from Spirit to this local community in terms of employment and payroll, and I mentioned that these were value-added jobs. That's one of the things that we look for in our economic development policy. A value-added job is one that exports product and imports money. It doesn't just circulate existing dollars within the local economy, but because things are manufactured, purchased outside the area, that money flows in as those products flow out. Those types of jobs also create additional jobs to support them. We'll get into that in just a minute.

"The other commitment Spirit is making is an additional \$435 million net new capital

investment in this region. In 2016, they agreed to a billion dollars of expansion. This is in addition to that. As a security measure, they're going to become the mortgagor on the building that's owned by Eclipse Investment Association. The mortgage will be in favor of Eclipse, and it's an insurance policy in the event that some of the conditions of the deal are not made. So let's talk about that for a minute. What if everything doesn't go as we wish? Well, as good stewards of public resources, one of the things that the economic development policy calls for are claw backs, abilities to go into the deal if things, if conditions are not met and the agreements are not met and bring back some of the investment that's been made.

"So there're in a couple of different forms on this economic development deal. First of all, in terms of the tax exemptions, there are five-plus-five year property tax abatement. State law allows for a ten-year abatement, but the City of Wichita's policy now is to grant it for five years and take a look and see if the sufficient amount of investment occurred if the other parts of that deal are being met. If so, they can grant the exemption for an additional five years. It gives them that look halfway through the process. That is tied to two things. One, the amount of investment. Spirit will need to be funding these improvements with the Industrial Revenue Bonds, adding additional buildings, bringing in new machinery and equipment. It's also tied to job performance. "So there's a 15-year look back that's tied to job performance, and if they haven't met or are not maintaining those net new 1,000 jobs or maintaining that employment level on those 12,000 jobs. In terms of the building, I mentioned before that there will be a mortgage that Spirit will be the mortgagor on, and basically what that does is secures a liquidated damage clause in the contract that says, if Spirit ceases operating, they're going to pay you back the \$10 million that was invested in that real estate. The county and the city would be made whole at that point. If the job numbers fall a little bit short, say they come in at 900 jobs on average over the 20-year period, pro rata share of that job creation, that would be a 90 percent success rate, but they're going to owe back to the county 10 percent penalty on that \$10 million.

"So there are a lot of protections for the public dollars that are being invested in the project, be they in terms of investment in the real estate or whether that is property tax forgiveness. As with all of these economic development deals that require tax exemptions or some form of incentive, we have an analysis performed by Wichita State University, by the Center for Economic Development and Business Research (CEDBR). It tells us in fiscal and economic impact terms whether or not this is a good deal, one that we should pursue. So if we look at the costs and benefits to the county, we see that on the front end of this, there's a \$7 million investment made by the county, and \$23 million advanced technology warehouse on the Spirit AeroSystems campus. We're also going to forgo some property taxes that would be there but for the tax exemptions if this project would happen without those tax abatements.

"But on the flip side, we're getting some benefits. As we mentioned before, an additional 1,000 value added jobs that are being filled today. Additional infrastructure by Spirit AeroSystems. Of that \$435 million that's being invested by Spirit through the industrial revenue bonds, \$96 million of that is in real property that will be on the tax roll at the expiration of those tax exemptions. I can't tell you exactly what that will mean in dollar figures in 10 or 12 years, but if that was on the tax roll today, it would generate about \$700,000 additional tax revenue to Sedgwick County alone, not counting the other tax authorities that would receive money from that. As mentioned before, there are potential spinoff jobs in the community as a result of these being value added jobs, and I think the biggest thing is it helps to ensure a long-term relationship with a very important business partner in our community, our largest employer and second

largest taxpayer, Spirit AeroSystems.

“But let’s look a little deeper into the numbers that were provided to us as part of the economic development impact and the fiscal impact of doing this project. The thing that we focus on first is the county’s benefit to cost ratio. Every government that’s part of the project has a benefit cost ratio that’s calculated. Our policy requires that we at least break even on this benefit to cost ratio. We have to have a one-to-one ratio in terms of the fiscal impact to the county government. In other words, if we forgo a dollar in tax or invest a dollar, we need to see that dollar come back. That’s our minimum threshold for moving forward with these deals. This one has a 1.08 to 1 benefit to cost ratio just in terms of that fiscal impact on Sedgwick County government.

“Now in your packets, I need to speak about these numbers a little bit. You received in the packet an analysis that shows a 1.05 to 1 benefit to cost ratio. To explain the difference between what I’m showing you here and what’s in that packet, it’s determined by the manner in which the county’s \$7 million investment is treated. The 1.05 to 1 ratio says that the county can invest that \$7 million on day one of the project, but we have considered that we will probably finance that over a 10-year period. So at the request of the Commission, we looked at how does that impact the benefit to cost ratio by including those financing charges and considering the fact that we’re actually paying it over time over a 10-year period. When those two factors are considered, it will increase the benefit to cost ratio from 1.05 to 1.08 to 1.

“I think that’s a testament to the fact that the county is in a strong enough financial position to take advantage of low interest rates, low financing costs. One more thing about the benefit to cost ratio, our goal is a 1.3 to 1 benefit to cost ratio. We really would like it to be there. If it’s not, then we look at some other factors that pertain to the size of the deal, the overall economic impact and some other things, because we could have a very small deal with a tiny bit of economic impact that might have a 1.5, a 2.0, a 3.0 to 1 benefit to cost ratio.

“So let’s look globally for a minute at the other parts of our economic development policy and see how these stack up. The policy says look at three more things. If we get two out of three, it’s cause for consideration of the deal. The first one of these is the present value of net benefits. What that is, is putting dollars to the benefit to cost ratio. What we’re looking for here is that the county would receive back at least a half a million dollars in net benefits, cash 500,000 more dollars would come back to the county than would go out in terms of our fiscal impact. This deal generates about \$625,000 in net benefits to the county. It’s a big enough deal that we’re getting back that much more than we’re putting out.

“The second thing we look at is how much real estate is going to go back on the tax roll at the conclusion of the project. We want it to be a big enough deal that there’s a \$50 million minimum investment. That’s required in policy. This deal, as I mentioned before, Spirit will be investing \$96 million in real property improvements that will be on the tax roll at the conclusion of the tax abatement. As I mentioned before, that’s about \$700,000 additional tax a year just to Sedgwick County, not including the school district, not including the city, the state and so forth.

“The third thing that we look at is jobs, how many jobs are being either maintained or created by this economic development activity. The policy states that we need to either be maintaining or creating 500 jobs. We’re maintaining the 10,940, we’re also adding a thousand new jobs at the Spirit campus. So we double the minimum amount of

required new jobs. We maintain a tremendous amount of jobs in the local economy, and the other thing about this is that we typically look at that job maintenance or that job creation over the life of the incentive or the tax abatement. Remember, that's a 10-year abatement. We've got this commitment from Spirit for 20 years.

"So we're also maintaining and creating those jobs, and that commitment occurs over twice as long a period as we would typically be looking at that. So in terms of our economic development policy, we meet and exceed any of the requirements that we need to say that this is an economic development activity in which we wish to participate in. A couple of other things to consider. One is that the 20-year commitment from Spirit to create those 1,000 additional value added jobs will spin off, according to the analysis, another 1,272 indirect jobs throughout the economy. These are jobs that last for the duration of the 20-year period. A thousand new workers at Spirit will support suppliers, home builders, additional retail, additional leisure spending within the community, and that amounts to about \$2.6 billion in payroll over the next 20 years. But they're going to be building some buildings.

"So we're going to have additional construction jobs that won't last the entire time, but we have temporary construction jobs, about 1,550 will be required to build and support the construction activity over the course of time as these projects are completed. That's another \$71.5 million in payroll that will be added to the local economy in spurts over this 20 year period. So basically to sum up, Project Eclipse represents for you about a \$2.7 billion in economic impact, money coming into the local economy over the next 20 years. That would conclude my part of the presentation. I think, Jeff are you next? Let me welcome Jeff Fluhr to the lecturn and he will speak a little bit more about Project Eclipse."

Chairman Dennis said, "Good morning, Jeff, welcome."

Mr. Jeff Fluhr, President, Greater Wichita Partnership, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for this opportunity to be able to speak to you about a very dynamic project that is shaping our community, not only today, but actually as Brent has told you, will into the future as well. We do appreciate the opportunity to work with your team as the County Manager has said. We work in concert with you on a number of projects. I know a couple of weeks ago, we were talking about the numerous ways in which we do that. So again, Mr. Manager thank you for the opportunity to work with you and your staff on this project.

"We also want to express our support for this project this morning from the Greater Wichita Partnership. You know, we are very fortunate to have the headquarters of Spirit AeroSystems here in Wichita. They are a global aviation company. I will tell you that as we work with other projects across the country and even globally, it's a highly competitive market for this company. They are a company that demonstrates success in what they do. They stand behind what they say they will do. Therefore, other states want them. Other countries would like to have even a larger presence. So the fact that we had this announcement here for Wichita, I think, is very dynamic in itself as well.

"They are also really contributing to the transformation that's underway. We have talked about that in Wichita. There's a lot of things that are on the increase here currently, not only in Wichita, but the region, and certainly Spirit AeroSystems is a big part of that. You know, the company also contributes, I think, greatly to the quality of place through their charitable giving.

"In 2017 alone, this exceeded \$5 million by this corporation. They value employee engagement in the community. You will see this through a number of non-profits

throughout our city but also the region.

"Their support at WSU Tech is hugely important. Just this last week, we were there for, I think, a remarkable event, talking about the creation of WSU Tech, where it has come from, where it is today, and where it can lead us. It is a national but also a global model for other countries and companies to see how we're training aviation expertise here, and it's here in Wichita. They spent about \$350,000 last year alone with WSU Tech. They're projecting this year to be upward of \$400,000 of investment with WSU Tech with training that they need at their workforce.

"Through Spirit's commitment to invest a billion dollars and also the creation of the thousand jobs that we're talking about this morning, the commitment of a thousand jobs has uniquely placed our region, our state, in a top 10 list of 2017 announcements. So a top 10 list, only nine other projects in the country that have a magnitude of this type of job creation last year in their announcement. So again, how is it they're helping us position Wichita, the region tremendously as we work with economic development. If you look at the largest projects in the state, this is the largest one within the last five years within our state. Within, Wichita is the largest since our recession. So again, great rebirth of opportunity here in our city and also our state.

"As I've mentioned, they position us to be a distinctive city but also a city of opportunity. These thousand jobs are tremendous in that they offer opportunities for those looking for their first time job. It helps the underemployed in our community. It was remarkable to see a video recently about the generational legacies that you have at Spirit AeroSystems, as far as families and them being present here in this community, so the retention of families is huge on their agenda as well.

"One of the things that is really important to note, I believe this morning, is to kind of give you an update from the MRO (Maintenance, Repair and Operating) show we were at last week. We had staff there. That's actually a show that MRO being the maintenance repair and operations event, that you encouraged us to start going to about three year's ago. Seeing great success as far as prospects coming from that. One of the interesting things we did this year, there's been a lot of discussion around talent not only the retention but the attraction of talent. These are moments of opportunities to bring new people into our community as well. So we purposefully, in our booth design for MRO this last week had talent boldly placed, if you will, on some of the displays. We noted the opportunities that are happening with Spirit, Textron, Bombardier, our suppliers. What was dynamic is that our staff reported they literally had people bringing resumes to them, so that we could bring those back to these various companies for opportunity.

"So already seeing attraction opportunities. Now what we want to do is build upon that. So in seeing that type of response, one of the things we'll be doing in the months ahead is we will be attending NBAA (National Business Aviation Association) back in Orlando, (Florida) where this event was last week. So we are actually thinking about how is it, with some of the things that we do going forward, how is it that we have a job fair potentially incorporated in some of these events, because again, you've only had 10 of these across the country that were uniquely placed to be able to attract talent and help grow the economy in that way.

"So a lot of opportunities coming from this announcement and also this proposal for

you today, I think, Brent has done a phenomenal job of outlaying, if you will, the economics of it. I think hopefully, I have given you an idea of some of the things that's positioning us not only in North America but globally the opportunities that it will as well. At this time, it's my pleasure to introduce Debbie Gann who the is Vice President of Corporate Communications Administrations for Spirit AeroSystems to make a few comments as well. So thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Jeff. Welcome, Debbie."

Ms. Debbie Gann, Senior Manager Sales and Marketing, Spirit AeroSystems, Inc., greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before I jump into this, I want to take just a minute and thank you for your leadership and thank the county crews for getting the HAWK (High intensity Activated crossWalk) system installed on MacArthur (Road) right adjacent to the Spirit plant. It's been up and operating for a little over a week, and I can tell you it is already making a tremendous difference in terms of keeping our employees safe as they cross MacArthur to get to and from work every day. So far we've seen absolutely no traffic tie-ups or any backups, so it's been incredible, and I just want to thank you for that, because it's very important to our employee populous."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thanks for those comments. Commissioner Howell pushed that through and David Spears, Public Works are the ones that made it happen. So we thank them."

Ms. Gann said, "David, thank you. Commissioner, thank you. I think that project is really just indicative of the great partnership and support we've received from the County Commission over the years. As you know, Spirit was created in 2005. Since then, the company's invested more than \$2 billion in our Wichita site. With this agreement, we'll be investing another billion over the next five years.

"As you all know, we're at historic production levels at our site, producing more airplanes than we ever imagined that we could. We are hiring aggressively to fuel that expansion. I am happy to report that we are actually ahead of plan on hiring. We are fast approaching 12,000 employees at the Wichita site, and we have 350 openings today. So still looking for talent to come in and fill these jobs.

"Last year our payroll in Kansas was about \$1.2 billion. We expect to exceed that this year. In addition, we spent about a billion dollars with suppliers in Kansas, about 550 of them. So certainly the reach goes beyond the walls of Spirit AeroSystems. We are a global company, and we do have sites in several other places around the world, but Wichita is our headquarters. It's our base of operations, and we believe it is home to some of the most talented, hardworking mechanics and employees anywhere in the world. So while we will grow in other parts of the world, this agreement really solidifies our long-term commitment to this county, to this community and to this state. So we certainly appreciate your consideration and just thank you for partnering to help bring these jobs to our community. Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you very much for being here. We appreciate it. At this time, do we have any questions from the Commissioners on any of the issues? Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau thanked the Chairman and said, "Just for the record, I want to show that I've been quiet in this meeting up to this point. Okay. But I have quite a few things I'd like to say and some new information to put out there.

"First of all, I want to say I appreciate Spirit's decision to expand here, okay, I've never opposed that, and I appreciate that decision that they've made to do. I previously worked at Boeing [Company] as a computer analyst, the predecessor to Spirit, and I have a lot of friends that still work at Spirit. So I think this is very good for our community. That being said, I have to make a decision based upon this particular agreement here to basically spend \$7 million, [\$]7.9 for interest, to build a building with Spirit, and I have to answer the question is this necessary and appropriate? That is, is it necessary for this expansion to happen and is it an appropriate function of government and in our best interest to spend this cash out of our reserves or could all this happen without it.

"So I do a lot of research, and I take this very seriously. I know there's things that come before us from time to time that we're just expected to rubber stamp, and if we don't, you know people will criticize us and say you don't like economic development, you don't like this, but that's not the case. I have to look at the facts and balance everything with the costs to the taxpayer and plus and minuses to the community. So I want to share some information. Rather than just ask people to provide, I've got a bunch of information that I've collected to base my decision on. So I'm just going to share this information, if anything ends up sharing is incorrect, then people can come up and correct me later on, because I want to have correct information. But I think it's important to, for any situation like this we have to see the big picture, not just this particular agreement that's about \$7 million in cash to build the building. Okay.

"So I've looked at a lot of things to find out some things that we're doing now that are just related specifically to this project, but there's also been some other things that have been done at the state and local level to give a favorable tax treatment to Spirit and other companies that are ongoing, and I think we need to get credit for that. Okay. "So when I add up all the stuff that I know about so far, I think the total tax subsidy of everything together that we can relate to this is about \$100 million, and that doesn't include HPIP (High Performance Incentive Program) or PEAK (Promoting Employment Across Kansas), which they may get or job retaining money or other favorable issues that exist at the state level compared to other states that haven't been quantified. Which brings me, and so I've added it up to \$100.2 million. I will get into the details here in a minute.

"So if we don't spend \$7 million today, the total subsidy would be \$93.2 million at least. It's going to be more than that. So my question is, is that enough? I have to say yes. I think that should be enough for reasons I'll explain later. We need this \$7 million in cash to help provide for roads, bridges, police, fire, etc. okay. I, you know, I've asked, you know, I'm not sure this deal wouldn't go forward without this \$7 million. It doesn't make sense, because you're getting \$93 million worth of subsidies and there's some other things I'll talk about. I've been told things, well, yeah, but they have a responsibility to the shareholders or we have to show them that we care. Well, I understand they have responsibilities to their shareholders. We have responsibilities to our taxpayers, and there's a variety of ways that we have shown that we care at the state and local level.

"Unfortunately, it's been brought to my attention that when we negotiate with the partnership all of these favorable tax things that exist, they're not quantified and they're not listed to say, hey, we're already doing this. For example, one of the examples is the machinery and equipment exemption, which was put in by the state in 2006. For this particular deal it adds up to \$50.6 million. That's there. That's not included in this

calculation up here on return on, it's not even, it's not even presented during the negotiation saying, we're already doing this. But it's listed there as an incentive, and it's very powerful and a lot of money and it's there.

"As a result of that, I've been told by staff that that's reduced our county revenues by 10 percent. That means everybody in this community is paying an extra 10 percent or you're getting 10 percent less services as a result of this one particular thing. I think we should get credit for that, and that should be considered in all of this stuff. Okay?"

"Additionally, Spirit is not in the city of Wichita. It's an industrial district, this is an agreement between the city and Wichita. If they would be annexed by the City of Wichita, taxes would go up by over nine mills. Okay. So that saves them \$532,000 a year over the 20 years of this evaluation, I mean that's \$10.6 million. I think we should get credit for doing that to help them out. Okay? There's other things that are out there that haven't been quantified, and there's things like I've say at the state level that should still come to fruition later on.

"The ones we're talking about here is about \$39 million from the city, county, state and school district as far as tax abatements and cash stuff. So that's a lot of money, and I think we have demonstrated, we continue to demonstrate. I have some concerns. I think going forward, I think we need to do a better job, when the partnership meets with businesses at quantifying how much these are worth.

"I can assure you these businesses know what these tax rules mean to them financially. When we go in to talk to them, we need to present these numbers and say we're aware, too, that we're already giving you \$60 million or \$70 million of favorable tax treatment. That's meant to help lure you there, and we should get credit for it. Okay. But we need to have some money to run our operations. Okay?"

"So I have to ask myself, is this necessary? Well, I want to look at, let's look at Spirit, great company. Can they afford to build this building on their own? Well, I would say yes. Just some of the recent information that came out in the [Wichita] Eagle, is we know that in 2017, they had revenues of over \$7 billion, net income of [\$]355 million. That's great. They can afford to pay their CEO (Chief Executive Officer) \$7.5 million in cash and benefits. They gave bonuses recently to everybody that ranged at least from 9.6 to 12.8 and that's fine. That's good. But that's a lot of money. They haven't quantified that. They repurchased stock, spent \$502 million to repurchase stock, they've authorized another [\$]500 million. That's a billion dollars that they're going to be able to spend to repurchase stock. They've got \$423 million cash on hand. Don't forget the federal tax changes that go in effect this year for all of us and businesses. That was big, that was pushed as economic development for everybody, not just Spirit. It applies to lots of businesses, okay. That needs to be kept in mind, too. So there's plenty of, I mean, they can afford to do this.

"So I just think, we as a community, have demonstrated that we appreciate and want them here. Now this particular deal we're talking about here is we're going to build a building, we're going to create an LLC (limited liability company) with the City of Wichita, create a building for them, and then give it to them after 20 years. This is unprecedented, we've never done it before. I think it is a precedent that we should not set, okay. We don't levy property tax money to build buildings for other companies. We're having our own discussions about having to build our own admin building. Okay, that's where that money, that's the building that money should go to. Okay. Every year, we have to say no to certain requests within the county government on what we spend money on, COMCARE, Corrections, the Sheriff, EM[S] (Emergency Medical Services),

everything. As a result of this for the next ten years, we'll have \$790,000 every single year less to spend in property taxes. That means we'll have to say no \$790,000 worth every year for 10 years, okay.

"I really think, I said this before in some other, setting, it's been several years ago, this will actually hurt us more than what it's really going to help Spirit. Okay, I really believe that. The city is putting money into it and forgiving money for water and infrastructure, and yet we hear all the time how they're needed money for infrastructure. I mean, I've heard things they had problems meeting payroll last quarter of last year and they're in significant financial problems. Aren't they talking about reducing fire services? That's a problem. But I mean, I just think \$93 million should be enough. I appreciate their efforts. I can't be supportive of this today, because I don't think it's an appropriate use of taxpayer funds, and I don't believe it's necessary to make this deal happen.

"I'll also say I'm a little disappointed and frustrated. These return on investment (ROI) sheets, you know, we originally approved, passed a resolution in December, December 13th.

"We had a couple of them. I think the one that we made the final determination on, it said we're going to get a cost benefit ratio of 4.19, now we're down to 1.08. But the problem is, we had two different versions, but they just weren't correct. We made a vote then based upon wrong information. The salaries were wrong, the investments were wrong. One of them didn't even include the \$7 million. That's another thing. I heard other arguments that the \$7 million we're spending shouldn't even be included here because it's not cash, when it is the same as cash, and that's very disappointing that the partnership that's supposed to be working for us as well would make that argument, to kind of take it off. It doesn't make sense.

"Now, I do have one question here as far as this contract, and we have claw back provisions. Maybe I'm not so sure, who should, maybe Brent or somebody. Okay, here is the issue that I have. Right now, the version we have, so the claw backs are based upon \$56,000 in annual salaries, correct?"

Mr. Shelton said, "Right."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Our return on investment calculations, I mean, they put the average salary range for all 20 years, and it starts at [\$]56,000 but it goes up to [\$]81,000. I did the calculations. It's a two percent increase every year. Okay."

Mr. Shelton said, "Okay."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "So the return on benefit is based upon having salaries that go from [\$]56,000 to [\$]81,000. That's correct. Is there anything in the contract that ensures that we start at [\$]56,000, but at the end of the 20 years, it's increased to [\$]81,000, keeping with inflation or whatever costs. Do we have a guarantee or are they going to be at [\$]56,000 twenty years from now, when? Do you understand what I'm saying?"

Mr. Shelton said, "Uh-huh."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "The return on investment is based on that [\$]56,000 going up to [\$]81[,000]. Do we have any guarantees, any claw back provisions that if they also don't increase up to [\$]81 [thousand] that would trigger that. Or is it just [\$]56,000 the whole..."

Mr. Shelton said, "I think it's a base of \$56,000..."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "56,000."

Mr. Shelton said, "...in base wage, not including benefits overtime and any bonuses."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Okay, so my argument is, and I've said this before, when we do a return on investment and we have claw backs, we have to have, I think, we should have claw backs that ensures that we get that return on investment. Okay? If it says we're going to have 'X' amount of salaries and we're going to base it on a salary range for [\$]56 [thousand] to [\$]81,000, we need to have claw backs to ensure that's happening because we're approving this based upon these calculations they've given us. You know, we're just barely over one and I know this isn't an exact science. It might be more, it might be less, it's not an exact science. We might even be close to one anyway, but we're approving this thinking we're going to make whatever you said up there, 600-some thousand dollars over 20 years or a million or whatever.

"But that's based upon those salaries increasing two percent a year every single year, and that's not in here. So that's problematic. Even if we're inclined to support and pass this, I would encourage us to table this and redo the language to ensure that that happens, because otherwise we made a good attempt trying to get our claw backs but it doesn't guarantee, it doesn't guarantee us we're going to get what's in here. Okay. So that's kind of, even if I were inclined to support this, I would want this this guarantee and this claw back to reflect what's said in here, and I don't believe that it does. So I would encourage us to not proceed for that reason and renegotiate that and change that.

"But in closing, I want to say that I'm not going to be supportive of this particular option. I think \$93 million of taxpayer subsidies is enough, and not all of them are even included in this ROI, and we need this money to help provide core services and help, I think. I would really encourage everybody to include Spirit to reconsider this and understand that this, you know, we have to be able to draw the line. When is enough, enough? How many tax benefits? How many ongoing favorable things do we have to put into place? When is enough, enough? I think \$93 million, I think, is where I could draw the line, and let's preserve this cash so we can do our core services. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I appreciate the presentation by those of you that spoke. I just want to clarify and make sure I heard this correctly. I had a couple of things I wrote down, but I want to make sure I heard them correctly. Can you please share, I think it was Brent that shared this. Can you please share once again, what was the amount of money the company has put into the community in terms of charitable giving? What was that number again?"

Mr. Shelton said, "I think Mr. Fluhr spoke to that, about \$5 million."

Mr. Fluhr said, "\$5 million, last year."

Commissioner Howell said, "That was just last year?"

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Mr. Shelton said, "Right."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay. That's extraordinary. Then the money they invested in the WSU Tech, that's another extraordinary number."

Mr. Fluhr said, "[\\$]350 thousand last year, [\\$]400 thousand this year."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay. Good. Those are the numbers I wrote down. That's what I thought you said. Thank you for that. With respect to previous comments, I just heard a bunch of information I hadn't heard before just a few minutes ago. So I'd like to go through just a couple items there. I don't want to get into a back and forth. I know there's cookies waiting for us, so I want to make this fast."

"You know, with respect to the decision in front of us this morning, we're not talking about \$93 million. We're talking about [\\$]7 [million]. Most of the decisions on the \$93 million, if that's even a right number, and I'm not saying it is, are decisions others have made previous times. Part of that you mentioned just a minute ago, a little over \$50 million was issued in equipment exemption done by the State of Kansas back in 2006. So that's their decision. I think about my, when I file my income taxes, I take advantage of every deduction I possibly can to make my costs or the payment I make to the government as small as possible. I don't blame anybody else for doing the same thing. Those are the rules set up by governments. We should take advantage of every opportunity."

I think that Spirit AeroSystems needs to take advantage of every opportunity. This is one that the state set up, and they should take advantage of. I guarantee you every state across this nation has things like that that tries to lure companies and make them prosperous and profitable. If we did not provide that exemption I guarantee you they would have a bigger reason to go elsewhere. So I'm glad they're giving that type of consideration. They do provide a tremendous amount of opportunity to our community. I think these numbers are actually are very modest. If you think about the existing 11,000 jobs and do some analysis on that in terms of the indirect jobs that that creates over 20 years, by my calculations, and this may be way wrong. I'm just doing simple math here. But it looks to me like the value to this community, because of Spirit, is about \$50 billion over 20 years. So their numbers are very modest. They're just talking about the increase. But I'm thinking about the fact that Spirit provides tremendous opportunity for our community already."

"So to the extent that we just lost Boeing a few years ago. I was directly impacted by that decision, and for the record, I do have opportunities with Boeing, and I have had in the past, but it would've required me to move, and I wanted to stay here. I love Wichita, and so I'm doing this now. But I worked at Boeing for 11 years, and a couple things I learned while I was there was that, in terms of a fair playing field, look at the global field. Airbus, I assure you, gets tremendous incentives and tremendous subsidies from countries all over Europe because they benefit from Airbus selling lots of airplanes."

"Boeing does get incentives, but not even comparable to what's happening to Airbus and to the extent they are very competitive with each other I think it just demonstrates that Boeing has done a very good job of trying to compete, but Spirit is a great part of that."

"You know, the fact that they're expanding, they've choosing Wichita, I'm very pleased with that. They could go anywhere. They could go outside this country. One thing that's making this interesting right now, when someone mentioned tax laws changing, but let's talk about tariffs for just a moment. That's going to be very hard, I think, on someone that uses a lot of aluminum and potentially other materials as well. So there's a lot of things changing here. The only decision we have in front of us right now is this \$7 million, and if I understand the return on investment, Mr. Shelton, maybe you can clarify this once again. But that return on investment is tax dollars to Sedgwick County. It's positive. It's more than one to one."

Mr. Shelton said, "Right. That's correct."

Commissioner Howell said, "So for every dollar we spend out of Sedgwick County, there's more than a dollar coming back."

Mr. Shelton said, "That's right."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay, so I don't want to think of government as an investor but let's think about that for a minute. If we spend tax dollars, it actually benefits Sedgwick County to been enveloped in this deal. It is actually more dollars to Sedgwick County then we spend to initiate this.

"Along with that, a thousand jobs, a billion dollars in capital investment. I would say, let me say this, I think this is an extraordinary opportunity and maybe I stand alone by saying it that way, but I think this is great for us to consider this this morning. I am glad they're choosing to invest in Wichita. I think this is great for our community and for our constituents to have more opportunities for job training and careers they can retire from and raise their families and educational opportunities, the charitable giving they give our community is outstanding.

"So anyway, I understand from a free market perspective, people may not like the way this works, but every other state is involved in it. It is \$790,000 every year for 10 years with claw backs in place. It benefits the county for every dollar we spend, it benefits the county to a greater degree than what we spend to make this happen, and in terms of the four checkmarks you've got, cost, creation, net benefits, capital investment and jobs, we meet all four. I would suggest, there are those other communities, I would like to know if they have a return on investment calculation, because it doesn't make sense they can invest as much money as they do. The return on investment to other communities, it has to be a negative number, and if it ever turns positive, it's probably decades in the future. I just think that we need to go ahead and move forward. I know cookies are waiting, so I'd be glad to make the motion."

MOTION

Commissioner Howell moved to authorize the execution of the Project Eclipse Development Agreement with the City of Wichita, Spirit AeroSystems, Inc. and Eclipse Investment Association.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

Chairman Dennis said, "I'd like to make a couple. Well, Commissioner Unruh, go ahead."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Well, I just want to recognize, and they have been mentioned all folks that have been working very diligently the last several weeks on trying to analyze this from about every direction possible to make sure that we have accurate information and one that clearly represents our involvement in this project, and so Spirit and Sedgwick County staff and the city of Wichita and WSU, the partnership who have been helping us through this, I just want to express appreciation for all your hard work in it, but mainly I want to express that I'm, I guess the right word is grateful that Spirit would keep us in the game. They had opportunities, they had I think, my understanding is six other folks who were competing for this investment and expansion, and I have no doubt, although I don't know the facts what others offered, but I'm sure that other communities have resources where they could offer a richer incentive than we did.

"So I'm just grateful that the folks at Spirit have made the decision that they want to expand here and continue to partner with us and help our community grow the next 20 years. The numbers that I focus on, I appreciate all the detail, and I have looked at it and tried to comprehend most of it anyway.

"But the numbers that I look at are 2,272 jobs in total that will accrue to our community, and \$2.7 billion into the local economy in payroll. This is significant. I think it's worthwhile for us to consider it, and in my opinion, it's the right decision to support it. So I'm pleased to say that I will have part in the decision to help our economy grow for the next 20 years. So, but thank you all who were involved."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have a clarification, I read the wrong part of the sheet here for the motion. I just make a motion to clarify, my motion is to approve the agreement and authorize the necessary signatures."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you for the clarification."

Commissioner O'Donnell said, "Second."

Chairman Dennis said, "And the second, also accepts that clarification. I'd like, Commissioner Ranzau, go ahead."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Well, I accept that this will likely go forward, but I do think that it's important that the agreement in the claw backs actually guarantee what is given to us in the ROI package. At this point, it doesn't. So I'm going to make a substitute motion that we table this and instruct staff to continue discussions to reach an agreement that protects, that actually gives us protection for the salary numbers that are provided for in the return on investment calculation sheet, which is the basis and the reason for why we're doing this."

SUBSTITUTE MOTION

Commissioner Ranzau moved to table the development agreement and instruct staff to continue discussion to reach an agreement that protects, that actually gives us protection from the salary numbers that are provided for in the return on investment calculation sheet.

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Commissioner Ranzau. We have a motion. Do I have a second? Do I have a second? Do I have a second? Motion fails due to a lack of

a second.”

Commissioner Ranzau said, “Mr. Chairman, I have to say I’m very disappointed. Let’s make this very clear that this agreement does not provide for what we say we’re going to get. Regardless of what you think about this, we have a fiduciary responsibility to taxpayers to assure that an agreement guarantees that. We don’t have that today, okay. There’s a lot, and I’m disappointed that we don’t even want to do that. Like I said earlier, there are things that come before us that as Commissioners we’re supposed to just rubberstamp and not question and not look at the data and just do what we’re told. This is one of them. But that’s not how I operate and I mean, why even. Why even do this?”

“Why even have these return on investment, the first one when we did the original agreement in December wasn’t even accurate, why do the agreement if it’s not going to guarantee what you say you’re going to get in this? Why do it? It’s smoke and mirrors. Like I say, I support decision of Spirit to stay here, but what we’re doing here today will not change the outcome one way or the other.”

Chairman Dennis said, “Thank you. Commissioner O’Donnell.”

Commissioner O’Donnell said, “Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to thank Spirit AeroSystems and everyone here today, Debbie and Sam, all the work that you guys put into it. This is a phenomenal project. I’m thrilled to support it. This isn’t just good for the county, but this is good for our entire community and the aviation sector. I know we are talking about that, about the \$7 million figure and about how that is coming out of our budget. But it is so much more than \$7 million that we’re going to be getting back to the community.”

“I know Commissioner Unruh just mentioned there is a half a dozen other states that were actively competing for this, but I think we’re all smart enough to know there’s 50 states that would love to have Spirit AeroSystems located within their boundaries. So I am just excited to support this.

“These 11,000 jobs over the next 20 years that are guaranteed, the thousand new jobs, these are going be individuals and families in our community that own homes and pay property taxes, that own vehicles and pay property taxes, that are paying sales tax to our community. The benefits of this project are truly hard to calculate, but it is positive all around, and I mentioned this last time this got brought up, but in all my years in elected office, I have never had a project that I truly believe has the beneficial magnitude that this project does. So I’m excited to see Spirit prosper. So thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.”

Chairman Dennis said, “Thank you. Some final comments from me. First of all, I want to thank Spirit AeroSystems for working with us on this deal. I think it is important for our community. I want to thank GWP for the work that they’ve done on this. The City of Wichita that was involved, WSU, who has helped us make the calculations up and down the line. The staff that we have here in Sedgwick County that went above and beyond to try and keep us informed every step of the way, and to make sure that we knew exactly what we were doing.

“Spirit AeroSystems had an opportunity to go to six other locations and they chose Wichita. Chose Wichita and Sedgwick County because it is a great location. We have great people. We have people that know how to build airplanes here in Sedgwick County. It is not just Sedgwick County, this deal is going to benefit Butler County, Sumner County, Cowley County because Spirit Aerosystem workers live in each and

every one of those counties. So it is not just Sedgwick County that's going to see the benefit of this.

"One of the things that we look at is our return on investment. Granted this return on investment is just above our 1 to 1 ratio that we require before we make a deal on something, and I don't know that there is any Commissioner that would say that we are going to go out and lose money on a deal. "Therefore, any time that it's positive is a good deal, and we are going to get all this money back. If we invest \$7 million, we will get over \$7 million back. Every single state is offering incentives. The fact that the State of Kansas is offering incentives that one of the Commissioners want to include in this, I understand that. That's part of what we're trying to do to entice people and businesses like Spirit AeroSystems to be here in this area. The impact is amazing. \$2.7 billion of new payroll money infused into our economy, direct jobs, a thousand, average base wage, [\$]56,000. indirect jobs, spin-off, 1,270. These are suppliers, home builders, accounting and so forth, construction jobs in the short-term, 1,550.

"The slide has it up here in bold, \$2.7 billion in new payroll earnings infused into our community over the next 20 years. We are building a building, we have claw back inserted in the agreement. Spirit is doing what no other company before them has done, their investment and expanding these product lines in our community, ensure jobs for this generation and the next generation and beyond. The people that are going to be working at Spirit, high-paying jobs are going to be building houses, they are going to be buying cars, buying big-screen TV's, they are going to be going to our colleges and universities, they're putting their children in our schools.

"The impact is felt across this entire region, not just in Sedgwick County. I am proud to be part of this. I am proud to support this. I am very happy that Spirit AeroSystems has chosen Sedgwick County to remain and to grow. Therefore I am going to support this motion. Madam Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	No
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Again, thank you to Spirit for being here. Thank you for GWP, thanks to the city of Wichita, our legal team that worked on all of this, and the rest of our staff. Thanks very much. Madam Clerk, next item."

G [18-300](#)

CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,051,441.16 FOR THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS - JUVENILE SERVICES (KDOC-JS) SFY 19 FUNDING AND APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH KANSAS LEGAL SERVICES FOR PREVENTION SERVICES.

Presented by: Glenda Martens, Director, Sedgwick County Division of Corrections.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant, the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this

request, and enter into contract with Kansas Legal Services for Prevention Services.

Chairman Dennis said, "Glenda, welcome."

Ms. Glenda Martens, Director, Division of Corrections, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning I am here to present for your approval the State Fiscal Year (SFY) '19 juvenile grant application to the Kansas Department of Corrections Juvenile Services (KDOC-JS) Division. The grant funding provides juvenile justice programming to prevent and address delinquency. The Juvenile Corrections Advisory Board, Team Justice, approved the grant application on March 2nd, 2019. The total planning allocation for our district is \$3,051,441. The planning allocation is continued funding from State Fiscal Year '18. The funding recommendation for prevention includes the detention advocacy service program totaling \$167,327.

"The detention advocacy service program provides attorney services to juveniles at detention hearings in case management, alternative programming to facilitate release from detention pending further court action. The program is provided by Kansas Legal Services. The remainder of the funding application is for three state-mandated graduated sanction programs. These programs are operated by the Division of Corrections (DOC), which include the Juvenile Intake and Assessment Center (JIAC), our Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program (JISP) and our Juvenile Case Management (JCM). The recommended funding allocation amount is \$2,884,114. The state fiscal year grant application sustains current programming.

"There are no new FTE's (full time equivalent) being requested in this grant application, and there are no grant matches. I request your approval to submit. If awarded the acceptance for the State Fiscal Year '19 grant application and authority to enter into contract with Kansas Legal Services. I'll be happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Do I have any questions?"

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the application for the grant.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Ms. Martens said, "Thank you, Commissioners."

Approved

H [18-306](#)

CONSIDERATION OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,886,388 FOR COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADULT OFFENDER PROGRAMS IN SEDGWICK COUNTY.

Presented by: Glenda Martens, Director, Sedgwick County Division of Corrections.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant and the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this request.

Ms. Martens said, "I'm here on the second grant award, and this is for Community Corrections to the Kansas Department of Corrections for State Fiscal Year '19. Community Corrections is a state-mandated program within the adult corrections system. Its purpose is to provide intensive supervision-based programming to rehabilitate felony offenders in the community as an alternative to prison. Community Corrections is state-funded through an annual grant process administered by the Kansas Department of Corrections. In order to continue to receive grant funds, an annual plan must be submitted on or before May 1st. The plan is before you today for approval. It reflects a continuation of existing programs. The programs are the Adult Intensive Supervision Program (AISP) and the Adult Residential Facility.

"Within each program, staff members provide close supervision and services to assist offenders in gaining and maintaining employment, assessing treatment and training, drug testing and rehabilitation programming. AISP (Adult Intensive Supervision Program) served 2,864 clients in State Fiscal Year '17 with an average daily population of approximately 1,500 clients. Community Corrections agencies receive a planning allocation from the state to use in preparation for budgets for the next year's operation in State Fiscal Year '19. Sedgwick County planning allocation is \$3,886,388. This represents a reduction of approximately [\$]141,000 from last year. As you know, the legislature is still in session, and the state budget has yet to be approved. Once that budget is approved, we will be notified of our actual award. We expect this part of the funding process to be completed by the end of June.

"The plan you have contains a great deal of data and information we use in managing all our adult programs. We continue to have a 96 percent supervision contact compliance rate since 2015. We have increased services to our high-risk teen and are serving a more intensive population. Sedgwick County is the largest Corrections agency in the State of Kansas. The plan also contains strategies on how to reduce recidivism, focusing on the very high risk offenders, providing evidence-based programming with fidelity, work on employment, behavioral health programming, substance abuse, mental health issues, and we target these specific interventions. The Community Corrections Advisory Board participated in the development of the plan and approved it on March 15th. It is their recommendation as well as mine that you approve it. The grant award is due on or before May 1st to the Kansas Department of Corrections, and there are no grant match requirements. I'm happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you very much. I see no questions. Do I have a motion?"

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the application for the grant.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Approved

I [18-311](#)

CONSIDERATION OF A KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS (KDOC) GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$627,263 AND APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH TIYOSPAYE, INC. (DBA HIGHER GROUND) FOR SUBSTANCE TREATMENT / PEER MENTORING SERVICES AND A MOU WITH COMCARE FOR THERAPIST / CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES.

Presented by: Glenda Martens, Director, Sedgwick County Division of Corrections.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant, establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this request and authorization to enter into contract with Tiyospaye, Inc. (DBA Higher Ground) for substance treatment/peer mentoring services and a MOU with COMCARE for therapist/case management services.

Chairman Dennis said, "Glenda, you're back up."

Ms. Martens said, "I'm back up. The final is a behavioral health grant application to the Kansas Department of Corrections for State Fiscal Year '19. The purpose of this funding is to continue with existing behavioral health programs within Community Corrections. The budget includes funding to sustain current positions that provide cognitive skills programming, peer mentoring, mental health strategies proven to reduce recidivism and revocations. There are no new FTE's being requested in this grant application, and there are no match requirements. The grant application budget is for \$627,263 and is due on or before May 1st to the Kansas Department of Corrections. There was a slight increase this year from last year by approximately [\$]35,000. On March 15th, the Community Corrections Advisory Board reviewed the application and recommends it for your approval as well as I do. I am happy to answer any questions."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you very much. I don't see any questions. For the record, all of us have been briefed on each one of these items ahead of time and reviewed them, so I wanted to make sure that everyone knows that we do read each of these, and you do give us a complete briefing ahead of time."

Ms. Martens said, "Yes, we do try to come around and talk with each of you about what we're doing in Corrections and how we're working with our clients."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Unruh."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the application for the grant.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Mr. Yost. We have an off-agenda item that's up to you..."

Ms. Martens said, "Thank you, Commissioners."

Chairman Dennis said, "...at this point."

Mr. Yost said, "Yes we do, but I can't make the motion. One of you has to."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to add an off-agenda item to the agenda.

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

OFF AGENDA

Chairman Dennis said, "Now, Mr. Yost. Who is presenting this?"

Mr. Yost said, "Are we talking about the Forensic..."

Mr. Scholes said, "Yes."

Mr. Yost said, "...Science item?"

Mr. Scholes said, "Shelly Steadman will introduce the item..."

Chairman Dennis said, "Okay."

Mr. Scholes said, "...on forensics."

Mr. Yost said, "Alright."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you."

Mr. Yost said, "You bet."

Ms. Shelly Steadman, DNA Technical Leader/Manager, Regional Forensic Science Center greeted the Commissioners and said, "I am here today in place of Dr. Tim Rohrig who you're probably more familiar with in introduction of these items. I want to qualify my presentation this morning by pointing out that our grant deadline was May 7th, and I prepared this item and submitted it to Mr. [Marty] Hughes last week with the anticipation of presenting this at the May 2nd meeting, but have since learned that that meeting may not happen, and so this was the only way that we could bring this information before you in order to still meet the federal grant deadline. I understand you may not have had a lot of time to review it, and that there may be questions.

"As a matter of background, this is a capacity enhancement and backlog reduction program that is administered primarily by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). I have been involved with participation in this grant for a number of years now, and it is aimed at assisting DNA (deoxyribonucleic acid) laboratories in increasing capacity. The project goals include increasing laboratory through put, reducing backlog and reducing the number of samples waiting tested. That said, I feel like the project is directly in line with the county's mission, and our mission at the Regional Forensic Science Center (RFSC).

"To give you some background, in 2016 we were successful in acquiring some new instrumentation through this grant, and while our backlog has continued to increase, towards the end of last year, once that instrumentation became validated and went onto line, the backlog was reduced from 144 days to approximately 80. So it does take time once these instruments are purchased and validated to see the increase through put, but I just wanted to give you an example of how this has had a very positive impact in Sedgwick County in the past. This is a formula grant, and the State of Kansas is eligible this year for \$709,000. That is the amount in excess of what was available to the state last year, and that's because our population is not growing as fast as our crime rate.

"As an example, in the State of Kansas, homicides and rapes have increased by 24 and 22 percent respectively over the ten-year average. If you look at a local snapshot, which is important because the Wichita Police Department (WPD) is the primary requester for DNA services, the DNA, sorry, the crime rate for violent crimes at the Wichita Police Department has increased 35 percent between the years 2014 and 2017. That said, some of you may also be aware that in 2014 the State of Kansas

convened a statewide multidisciplinary task force, and they set out to assess the number of untested kits that exist in the State of Kansas, and of over 2,200 untested kits, more than half of them reside in Sedgwick County.

"I have served on that multidisciplinary task force, and just last week the Director of the KBI (Kansas Bureau of Investigations) issued a letter to all law enforcement across the state and provided the recommendation that 100 percent of sexual assault kits that are collected be tested. To give you an example of what impact that will have on Sedgwick County, we currently receive 30 percent of the rape kits that are collected in the county for testing. So we expect that our submissions will triple. In determining how we could best use our portion of this money, I focused on what we could do to increase the processing of the rape kits, and to that end, I have requested in this grant period a total of \$245,000. The greater portion of that will go towards the purchase of some newer automated technology that will allow us to differentially extract mixed stains and quantify male DNA that's present. That will replace other classical serological techniques whereby we sit at the microscope and scan slides for sperm cells.

"So we think that we can increase the through put from weeks to a period of days, not to mention that this is the gold standard for technology today, and it's far more sensitive, which may allow us the ability to detect male DNA in forensic samples where sperm cells went undetected. That said, acquiring these work stations and platforms requires that they be validated. We can't just plug these into the wall and start doing casework. We have to prove through tests of accuracy, precision, linearity that they work, and that they will hold up in court. To that end, I have several options. I can take one of my fully qualified DNA analysts that we've invested over two years to train and remove them from casework and assign them the task of the validation. Or I can purchase validation services from a variety of vendors, who would come into the lab, conduct the studies, compile the data and write the reports.

"Initially I thought that was our best option, but considering the number of instruments that we need, that would cost approximately \$160,000. So I decided to take the approach that has been used by other laboratories in the state and ask for a technician for a period of a year while these grant funds are available to conduct that validation at a far lesser cost, just below \$60,000. The final thing that is a component of this grant quite simply is the chemistry, the reagents and the chemicals that we need to conduct that validation, and you have before you the financial considerations. If you have any additional questions about the project or my proposal, I would be delighted to answer those."

Chairman Dennis said, "Well first of all, thank you for your flexibility in being here today.

"I know that this was planned to have on an agenda later, but the Commissioners will all be at a meeting for the Kansas County Commissioners Association (KCCA) on the date that we were originally going to schedule this. So thank you very much for your flexibility. I do believe that the grant that you are looking at would be very worthwhile for our [Regional] Forensic Science Center."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve the application for grant.

Commissioner Unruh seconded the motion.

Chairman Dennis said, "We have a motion and a second. Commissioner Unruh, comment."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just wanted to make note that in your backup material it indicates that the laboratory is on the brink of a caseload capacity crisis. I think if we can avoid a crisis by using grant resources, that's good management on our part. So thank you for bringing this to our attention. I'm willing to support the motion."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I was probably going to make a motion or a second, but I appreciate those of you that did that. I want to say I appreciate the presentation. I think you guys do great work. I'm glad we have some assistance to help us get caught back up and provide maybe a more timely services. Obviously going to be needed. I also want to point out, and I'm sure that you don't want me to recognize you this way, but I do want to make clear to my colleagues, I just want to make sure that you all know that this is also Mayor Steadman from the City of Mulvane that is presenting this morning. So she's not just a doctor at our forensic science organization and a Sedgwick County employee that we appreciate very much, she is also serving the City of Mulvane as the City Mayor. So I wanted you to know that. Glad to support the motion this morning. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think you will recall as I do that the Mayor was over stuffing pillows for the Aging department the other day, so she's a versatile person. We thank you for your support of the Aging Department."

Dr. Steadman said, "Thank you."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So this, part of this is one FTE (full time employee), one position. Will it only be for a year?"

Dr. Steadman said, "Yes. The grant is a static amount, so unless I would be able to renew that position through this same grant, that would only be for a year."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "So what happens to that employee?"

Dr. Steadman said, "That employee would be hired with the understanding that it is a grant-funded position, in the same manner the other laboratories hire theirs."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Okay. Is this something you think we need long-term, or no?"

Dr. Steadman said, "Well, through the routine budget process, which I have some involvement with, we have continued to request an FTE or more than one FTE in the DNA laboratory and are continuing with that request this year. So I do believe it is needed."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Okay. So we've asked for this before in the budget process, we've had to say no. My understanding is there's some debate out in the community on whether or not you really need to do 100 percent or not for law enforcement reasons. I don't know all the details about that. But this is exactly what I was talking about a little while ago. We have to make tough decisions in budgets every year. This request has come up before, and we've said no, we can't spend county taxpayer dollars to do this. But we can afford to spend \$790,000 a year to get Spirit to build a building. That's where we're at.

"So now we are going to take money from the federal government, that's printing money and has trillions of dollars of debt and put this upon our children to do something that we ought to pay for ourselves. We have a debate, yes or no, I mean, you have to make tough decisions, we can't fund everything, but we can fund things, \$200,000 for Doc, a bunch of other stuff that the local oligarchs want, but we can't fund this. This is a problem. Notwithstanding the debate whether or not you should do 100 percent or not or whatever, but this is exactly what I'm talking about.

"We just voted \$790,000 a year, and that project was happening anyway, despite what, you know, what elected officials like to say. Now we are faced with doing this. This is problematic, because in the past, I supported federal funds for equipment, but have avoided doing these one-offs as far as staff because, you know, we shouldn't have staff and then let them go. If it's important, then we need to pay for it. This is very problematic and clearly demonstrates some of the choices that we make and why I try to fight on behalf of the taxpayer for some of the spending that we do that I think harms our ability to do things like this.

"But it's okay because we can always shove it off on the federal government, borrow some money and make our kids pay for it with interest later on, and pound our chests and make it seem like we do everything for everybody, and there's no cost to it. So this is not good government when you put it all together."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Commissioner Ranzau. I want to echo the comments, not only the Mayor of Mulvane helped us stuff pillows last week at Aging, but also was at the Pando Initiative fundraising event last week to help our schools. So we appreciate everything you do for our community. Seeing no further discussion, we have a motion and second. Madam Clerk, call the roll."

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "One other thing, we had discussed the possibility of having a second off- agenda item, and the second off-agenda item was going to relate to a project that we passed last week. I will let Commissioner O'Donnell explain what is going on with that and then I will give a further explanation of our decision not to have an off-agenda item today."

Commissioner O'Donnell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Last week, and I know our Counselor is out of the room, but talked to him about it yesterday, but we passed the

Delano Neighborhood Plan. It was brought by City staff to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission (MAPC), Dale Miller brought it forward, and then yesterday the Wichita City Council decided they wanted to make changes to it, so they are going to be bringing that back in June. I guess what probably concerns me most, Mr. Chairman, is that if it's a City-led initiative, they should pass it first before it then comes back to MAPC (Metropolitan Area Planning Commission) to get reverted to us.

"So it was completely out of step with normal policy, and as an advocate and supporter and representative of the Delano Neighborhood, I expect, you know, a little bit of common sense when it comes to pushing forward something as important as a Delano Neighborhood Plan and wires got crossed, and unfortunately the City has decided to defer that until June to get more community input. So I was going to make a suggestion that we reconsider our motion from last week, but as you requested, I will not make that motion today."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Let me explain that in a little bit. First, Commissioner Ranzau, do you have some comments?"

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Yes I do, but go ahead."

Commissioner Dennis said, "Let me explain it a little bit more. Yesterday afternoon, I did learn that the City of Wichita had not passed it, they deferred it until late in June, and then Commissioner O'Donnell and Mr. Yost and I spoke about it a little bit on whether or not we should reconsider the motion that we had a week ago. So I spoke with the Mayor last night about it, and they did send it, or they did defer it, it looks like that there's some concern about the way that the plan was drawn up. It is part of our Comprehensive Plan, and that's why we vote on it. Even though it is entirely within the city of Wichita and the Delano District, the Comprehensive Plan is a joint Sedgwick County/Wichita plan. So anything that goes into that plan needs to be approved by both organizations.

"We didn't have any input to it, honestly, other than saying yes, this is something that the city of Wichita is interested in, and so therefore we approved it. The problem came about in the fact that [Metropolitan Area] Planning Department for some reason, and I talked to the Manager about it this morning, brought it to us before it went to the City of Wichita, and that's completely backwards the way that it should have happened. It should have gone to the City of Wichita, because it is really their part of it and then come to Sedgwick County. So we are not going to do that in the future. If it's strictly Wichita, it's going to go to Wichita first and then it will come to us, or vice versa, if it's strictly Sedgwick County, it will come to us and then go to Wichita.

"The bottom line is, I don't believe that we need to rescind that or do anything with the motion we had last week, because if changes are made, the Comprehensive Plan is a living document, and I made that comment last week. So it is designed for changes to be made to it. That way it doesn't get old, sit on a shelf and it is not a plan that can be used for the future. So since they deferred it, I would say that there's probably a strong possibility that changes are going to be made, and therefore the vote that we had last week is probably a moot point anyway, because it is a living document and we're going to have to go through and review the new document before we vote on it again, so therefore, I don't know that we really need to change it, because it's not an official part of the Comprehensive Plan at this point, unless it goes to the City of Wichita and they approve it, and at that point, if we find there is some problems with it, we could always change what our position is on it.

“So I think we need to let Wichita work it out, it’s their issue right now, and once Wichita works it out, then it can come back to us and we can decide whether or not that we do need to make any changes. So that’s the reason that I don’t think we need to reconsider it today. Commissioner Ranzau.”

Commissioner Ranzau said, “Well, I voted against that item last week because I thought it was premature. You know, people need to understand, this was one of those things that came before us where we were just expected to rubberstamp.

“I am hearing behind the scenes the reason it is getting hung up, is because we got developers calling elected officials saying why did you vote for that, because some people don’t like it, don’t necessarily want to do it. So you really have, it is really not about necessarily the merits of the thing, it’s local developers calling, pairing up into their groups, one group wants, one group doesn’t want it, says hey why are you voting for this stuff. That’s problematic, but it is indicative of what goes on here in local politics to the degree that people just don’t understand. Too many issues that come before us that we vote on, we vote that way because it is expected and not necessarily because of the merits. This is just another example in my estimation.”

Chairman Dennis said, “Thank you. Next item, please.”

Approved

[18-343](#)

CONSIDERATION OF A NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE (NIJ) 2018 CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT AND BACKLOG REDUCTION PROGRAM GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$245,000 FOR NEW DNA LABORATORY STAFF AND INSTRUMENTATION.

Presented by: Shelly Steadman, PhD., DNA Technical Leader/Manager, Regional Forensic Science Center.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the application for the grant, and if awarded authorize acceptance of the grant, the establishment of budget authority as provided in the Financial Considerations section of this Request, and implementation of the Staffing Table changes identified in the Personnel Considerations section of this Request.

Discussion for this item will be added after minutes for this meeting are adopted.

Approved

J [18-328](#)

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' REGULAR MEETING ON APRIL 12, 2018.

Presented by: Joe Thomas, Director, Purchasing.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Chairman Dennis said, “Joe, welcome.”

Mr. Joe Thomas, Director of Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Welcome, good to be here. We have eight items recommended that resulted from the Board of Bids and Contract of April 12th that we’re seeking your approval for.”

1. ROAD IMPROVEMENTS -- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING -- R331 TRAFFIC CNTL16+

"This recommendation is to accept the low bid from Traffic Control Services, Inc. in the amount of \$463,725.50.

2. LABORATORY SERVICES -- VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS
FUNDING -- VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

"This recommendation is to accept the proposal from Affiliated Medical Services Laboratory for the pricing listed and establish contract pricing for three (3) years with two (2) one (1) year options to renew.

3. LIVERY SERVICES -- REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER
FUNDING -- REGIONAL FORENSIC SCIENCE CENTER.

"Recommendation is to accept the proposal from Preferred Mortuary Services at the rate listed for a two (2) year period with three (3) one (1) year options to renew.

4. EMS POST 8 REMODEL AND BUILDING REPAIRS -- PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING --REPAIR EMS POST 8/ ADA COMPLIANCE 16+

"The recommendation is to accept the low bid including Alternate 1 from Compton Construction Services, LLC in the amount of \$356,900.

5. CONSTRUCT NEW NE POST 15 -- PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING -- CONST NEW EMS NE POST

"This recommendation is to accept the low bid from Multicon, Inc. in the amount of \$799,000.

6. 2018 DODGE CHARGER POLICE PACKAGE VEHICLE - FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING -- DODGE CHARGER POLICE PACKAGE

"The recommendation is to accept the low bid from Davis-Moore Automotive, Inc. in the amount of \$80,790.

7. 2018 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY MARKED VEHICLES -- FLEET
MANAGEMENT
FUNDING -- UTILITY POLICE INTERCEPTOR SUV

"This recommendation is to accept the low bid from Rusty Eck Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$99,549.

8. MID-SIZED TRACKED EXCAVATOR WITH WOOD SHREDDER OPTION --
FLEET MANAGEMENT
FUNDING -- STREAM MAINT

"The recommendation is to accept the proposal from Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co. in the amount of \$198,995.

Mr. Thomas said, "I'll try to answer any questions you may have, and I recommend approval of these eight items."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Howell."

Commissioner Howell said, "Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I won't be making the motion, but I will be supportive of colleagues who probably will make the motion with respect to the EMS stations. I just wanted to make a couple comments and have a couple quick questions. Number one, I'm just curious on the road restriping, on item number one, we also do crack seal on all of the roads every year; is that correct? Just want to confirm that."

Mr. David Spears, Assistant County Manager of Public Works, Facilities Maintenance, Project Services and County Engineer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We don't do crack seal on all the roads every year but a significant portion of them."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay."

Mr. Spears said, "So it is it is not connected to the striping."

Commissioner Howell said, "I understand, okay. Good, I would like to know more about the crack seal, but we can talk about that later. I was just curious about that. Item number two, I am curious about how that was analyzed. You know, it depends on how many of those services are provided, the number, so the dollar figure for each one of those services is drastically different. With three different vendors, each one of them has low cost on certain types of services, so I guess the way I would have analyzed it would be to see how many services we actually need of each one of those items and then kind of, do an extended cost and then total cost. I don't see that in front of me, so I am curious if that was done."

Mr. Thomas said, "I believe it was, sir. What we can do is get the information to you with, I was thinking that they took the annual usage for the previous year and were able to determine a low overall."

Commissioner Howell said, "Yeah that would be good to know that. Again, I support the bid board process, and if that analysis was done, that is probably something I would be glad to support. I just wanted to ask the question because the data is not on the material there. Item number three, I'm just curious if we transport for Forensics Science Center, if that's a billable service. Do we recover any of that money that's used to transport?"

Mr. Thomas said, "I thing, Ms. Steadman just left. I'm not sure whether we recover any of those."

Commissioner Howell said, "You can answer that question later as well. It was just more of a curiosity. On the next two items, just want to say I am really proud of the county for finding more efficient ways to do this. We're going to essentially have refurbished EMS (Emergency Medical Service) station up north and another one brand new one northeast, and I am really proud of the county for doing those two things. I am glad to support this today, assuming there is a motion made to do so. I am very pleased to see that on our list of things to do today. Finally, I am curious about items six and seven."

"Why are we doing two different kinds of vehicles? Seems like they are very much similar, I guess, I am trying to find out why would we do three of one and three of the other. Item number six is significantly cheaper than item seven."

Ms. Penny Poland, Director, Fleet Management greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Sheriff has a mixed fleet of Dodge Chargers and Ford Interceptors."

Commissioner Howell said, "I guess, I'm wondering why..."

Ms. Poland said, "Based on the..."

Commissioner Howell said, "...they are used identically in the field. I am curious why we need two different kinds of vehicles."

Ms. Poland said, "...some of the vehicles are used to go off road if needed."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay. Alright. Well, let me think about that for a minute. Then finally, item number eight, I want to say that I am pleased that we finally have this equipment on our list of things to purchase. It's been long overdue. We tried to increase our stream maintenance capabilities a while back. This is definitely necessary. I did notice that we are selecting the non-lowest bid on this one. I am curious as to why that would be."

Mr. Thomas said, "There were, I believe, a couple reasons, Commissioner. The size of the cubic displacement of the engine, both these engines were turbo charged, but as you will notice, one had a little more cubic engine displacement, giving it a little more power. When this piece of equipment is in the stream bed or when it's picking up a log or concrete, there are times when they need that extra power, horsepower in order to accomplish what they need. So this is why you notice this was a proposal, because it was not just going to be strictly the price, but there was consideration for that. Also consideration for what was known as the relief and boost pressure. The boost pressure is almost like kicks in a little extra power for it to adjust to whatever situation they need in those stream beds."

Commissioner Howell said, "Okay, good. Last picture there, that's the tree trimmer attachment?"

Mr. Thomas said, "That's the tree shredder, isn't it?"

Commissioner Howell said, "Tree shredder."

Ms. Poland said, "Yes, that's correct."

Commissioner Howell said, "Yeah that looks pretty exciting. I would like to see that working someday. We need a video of that, need a video of that. Anyway, I am pleased overall with the report today, but I will let someone else make the motion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Commissioner Ranzau."

Commissioner Ranzau said, "Couple things, I am just going to say on item number eight, I still continue to have concerns with our specifications that sometimes I think we do this to get a certain, to arrive at a certain decision. But I want to talk primarily

about items four and five, the EMS buildings. One of them is the repair in my district, the other one is the new one in Commissioner Unruh's. This is stuff we've been working on for a long time. I think originally when these came up, they were proposed to be built, both of them were going to be new buildings for [\$]1.4 [million] to [\$]1.6 [million] or something or maybe even more, its around \$3 million. Now we are going to get these two done for less than [\$]1.2 million. So we are saving considerable amounts of money, probably doubling the number of facilities we can get, compared to what we used to.

"I know in the past, I remember an EMS station has a vehicle and a couple people in it. There is no sleeping quarters, but you have a little place to sit and we were spending [\$]1.4 to \$1.5 million on each facility, and \$800,000 for a new one is still a lot of money, but it's significantly, I mean, close to cutting it in half. So I think this is a good move and moving forward it will help us get a much, much better bang for our buck, and I appreciate staff and Commissioners, like I say, this is something we've been trying to get done for a few years now. We're finally getting there and I appreciate that. So I will be supportive. Thank you, Mr. Chairman."

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioner Unruh."

Commissioner Unruh said, "Well, I would like to second Commissioner Ranzau's comments, first of all."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner Ranzau seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II	Aye
Commissioner Ranzau	Aye
Commissioner Howell	Aye
Commissioner Unruh	Aye
Chairman Dennis	Aye

Mr. Thomas said, "Thank you, Commissioners."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, next item, please."

Approved

CONSENT

Mr. Scholes said, "Recommend you approve consent agenda items Kilo (K) through Victor (V)."

MOTION

Commissioner Dennis moved to approve consent agenda items Kilo (K) through Victor (V).

Commissioner O'Donnell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Dennis</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you."

The Board of County Commission recessed into Fire District Number 1 from at 11:16 a.m. and returned at 11:17 a.m.

Chairman Dennis said, "Next item, please."

- K** [18-301](#) One (1) Right of Way Easement for Sedgwick County Bridge Project 644-19-2847; Bridge on 103rd Street South between Maize Road & 119th Street West. CIP# B492. District 2.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- L** [18-302](#) One (1) Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Stream Maintenance Project near 37th North and 135th West. District 3.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- M** [18-298](#) Resolution Authorizing Sale of Unredeemed Real Estate After Tax Sale.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- N** [18-318](#) A Resolution temporarily suspending a cereal malt beverage license for certain dates - Sedgwick County Zoological Society, Inc.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- O** [18-332](#) Amendment to the 2018 COMCARE's Participating Community Mental Health Center Agreement with the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS).
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- P** [18-310](#) COMCARE Psychiatric APRN Range Reallocations.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- Q** [18-296](#) Sedgwick County Sheriff Position Reclassifications.
Approved on the Consent Agenda
- R** [18-320](#) Set for public hearing on May 23, 2018, six (6) inclusion petitions for the

alteration of boundaries of the Sedgwick County Fire District Number One and authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing in the official County newspaper pursuant to K.S.A. 19-3604(b) and K.S.A. 19-270(b).

Approved on the Consent Agenda

- S** [18-321](#) Set for public hearing on May 23, 2018, one inclusion petition for the alteration of boundaries of the Sedgwick County Fire District Number One and authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing in the official County newspaper pursuant to K.S.A. 19-3604(b) and K.S.A. 19-270(b).
Approved on the Consent Agenda

- T** [18-322](#) Set for public hearing on May 23, 2018, one exclusion petition for the alteration of boundaries of the Sedgwick County Fire District Number One and authorize the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing in the official County newspaper pursuant to K.S.A. 19-3604(b) and K.S.A. 19-270(b).
Approved on the Consent Agenda

- U** [18-326](#) Treasurer Claim Certification.
Approved on the Consent Agenda

- V** [18-283](#) General Bill Check Register for April 11, 2018 - April 17, 2018.
Approved on the Consent Agenda

LEGISLATIVE ISSUES

Chairman Dennis said, "Will, how you doing?"

Mr. Will Deer, Assistant County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I'm good, Commissioners. Legislature is adjourned right now. So we don't really have a lot to report. Both of our bills that I mentioned, the Election Commissioner Budget Bill and the Urban Area Designation Bill, to my knowledge, haven't been signed by the Governor, but they are in transit. I don't know if Mr. Yost has heard something different."

Chairman Dennis said, "Do we have any questions about the legislative agenda. Seeing none, thank you. Next item."

OTHER

Chairman Dennis said, "Does anyone have anything for 'other'? I would like to say a couple comments. I don't see anything else. Earlier this week I was able to go to USD (Unified School District) 259 Good Apple Award. I was pleased that they recognized a member of the CDDO (Community Developmental Disability Organization), Peter Daniels. He was recognized by Dunlap Transition Campus at Chisholm [Life Skills Center] and the description read, 'Peter supports our community at SCDDO by providing hub services to those with disabilities. He directs the business leadership.

BLN (Business Leadership Network) support, supporting those with disabilities in our community to connect with employers and jobs and also improves the community as a small business owner. Appreciated.'

"I want to make sure that I pass on the entire Board of County Commissioners appreciation for all that he does for not only our citizens, but the students, and I want to thank him. Just on a side note, the reason I was there was because my son who teaches at Northwest High School was also receiving a Good Apple [Award] that night. So I was there for a couple reasons, but congratulations on Peter. Anything else for 'other'? Seeing nothing, Madam Clerk, next item."

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, we do have an executive session. Commissioner Unruh."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to recess into executive session for 15 minutes no sooner than 11:35 a.m. to consult with an attorney for this Commission which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship. This executive session is required to protect attorney-client privilege and the public interest.

Commissioner Dennis seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Unruh</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Chairman Dennis</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Chairman Dennis said, "Commissioner Unruh, next item."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to recess into executive session for 30 minutes no sooner than 12:05 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual and that the Board of County Commissioners returns to this room from executive session no sooner than 12:05 p.m.

Commissioner Dennis seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

<i>Commissioner O'Donnell II</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Ranzau</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Howell</i>	<i>Aye</i>

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Chairman Dennis Aye

The Board of County Commissioners recessed into executive session at 11:20 a.m. and returned at 12:05 p.m.

Chairman Dennis said, "Mr. Yost."

Mr. Yost said, "Mr. Chairman, one item that we do need to take up following our executive session is a proposed settlement of a work comp[ensation] claim. We do have outside counsel here, Ms. Sylvia Bribiesca Penner, who represents the county on that matter. If you could recognize her and ask her to briefly explain what it is she is proposing?"

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you, Ms. Penner. Can you explain what we have ahead of us?"

Ms. Sylvia Penner, Attorney, Fleeson, Gooing Attorneys at Law, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We are here to request authority to settle three workers compensation claims involving a single claimant. The claimant is a firefighter and has a very serious back injury that originated in 2008 and then was aggravated in 2009 and again in 2016. The proposal is to settle all three claims, all issues in all three claims fully and finally for the amount of \$110,000. It is what we are recommending to the Commission."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. I understand that if we sign this agreement and they sign it, then that clears any future claims against the county."

Ms. Penner said, "That is correct."

Chairman Dennis said, "So it's a one-time payment of \$110,000 today and that clears all claims."

Ms. Penner said, "Yes, it does."

Chairman Dennis said, "Thank you. Anything else, Mr. Yost?"

Mr. Yost said, "No."

MOTION

Commissioner Unruh moved to approve the counsel's recommendations to settle all three workers compensation claims fully and finally for the amount of \$110,000.

Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

There was no discussion on the motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner O'Donnell II Absent
Commissioner Ranzau Aye
Commissioner Howell Aye

Commissioner Unruh Aye
Chairman Dennis Aye

Chairman Dennis said, "Do we have anything else to come before the Board?"

Mr. Scholes said, "No, nothing else."

Approved

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

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