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TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

May 7, 2018
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Teleconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Judges: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin (Chair), Hon. Jeffrey B. Barton, Hon. Andrew S. Blum, Hon. Daniel J. Buckley, Hon. James E. Herman, Hon. Joyce D. Hinrichs, Hon. Patricia M. Lucas, Hon. Charles Margines, Hon. Paul M. Marigonda, and Hon. Brian L. McCabe.

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Judicial Council staff advisory members: Mr. John Wordlaw and Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Judges: Hon. Mark Ashton Cope.

Executive Officers: Ms. Sherri R. Carter.

Others Present: Hon. Kimberly A. Gaab, Hon. David M. Rubin, Mr. Doug Kauffroath, Ms. Heather Pettit, Ms. Lucy Fogarty, and Ms. Brandy Sanborn.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. and roll was called.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the April 23, 2018 Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEM 1-2)

Item 1 – Prioritization of Trial Court Budget Change Proposal (BCP) Concepts for 2019-20 (Action Required)

Review and prioritize trial court BCP concepts, and BCP concept submissions in which the TCBAC was identified as having purview and the opportunity to provide input, for submission to the Judicial Branch Budget Committee for its review.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved to prioritize the BCPs identified by the committee in the following order:

1. *Stabilization of Civil Assessment Revenue, \$155m*
2. *Trial Court Facility Maintenance and Operations, \$31.4m*
3. *Funding for 10 of the 50 Judgeships Authorized by AB 159 (combined with Appellate Court Judicial Workload), \$8.9m - \$16m*
4. *Technology – The committee is prioritizing this general concept that includes the following three specified concepts which are not listed in order of priority and without dollar amounts (to be determined at a later time):*
 - a. *Case Management System (CMS) Replacement for Trial Courts*
 - b. *Digitizing Documents Phase One for the Superior and Appellate Courts*
 - c. *Implementation of Phoenix Roadmap – Cloud Migration, Technical Upgrade and Functional Improvements combined with Phoenix HR Payroll Deployments*

The committee tabled the Support for Trial Court Operations concept for one year. The decision wasn't due to not having concern for funding, but out of recognition of higher priorities and in consideration of the current budget proposal remaining intact.

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the following BCPs in which the committee was identified as having purview and the opportunity to provide input without prioritizing:

- A. *Civil Adjudication of Minor Traffic Infraction - Futures Commission Recommendation (Placeholder), amount to be determined*
- B. *Continuing the Implementation of the Strategic Plan for Language Access in California Courts, \$11.8m*
- C. *Court Appointed Counsel in Juvenile Dependency Proceedings (Auxiliary), supported by the committee with the amount subject to further discussion pending funding received in the Governor's Budget*
- D. *Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in Juvenile Dependency Court (Contingent), \$500k*
- E. *Expansion of Self-Help Funding and Establishment of the Center for Self Help Resources Recommended by the Chief Justice's Commission on the Future of the California Courts, supported by the committee with the amount subject to further discussion pending funding received in the Governor's Budget*
- F. *Judicial Branch Litigation Management Program, \$5.8m*
- G. *Pretrial Detention Reform (Placeholder), amount to be determined*
- H. *Proposition 66 - Death Penalty Reform and Savings Act of 2016 (Placeholder), amount to be determined*
- I. *Statewide Security Systems and Equipment - Maintenance and Replacement, \$6m*

Item 2 – Adjustment to Council-Approved 2017-18 Allocations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund (IMF) (Action Required)

Consideration of an augmentation of the 2017-18 Litigation Management Program (LMP) allocation in the IMF.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Mr. Eric Schnurpfeil, Deputy Chief Counsel, Judicial Council Legal Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved a one-time augmentation of \$933,000 to the 2017-18 IMF allocations for the LMP to include 1) a \$150,000 transfer from its Regional Office Assistance Group; 2) a \$183,000 transfer from its Judicial Performance Defense Insurance; and 3) a \$600,000 augmentation from the IMF fund balance.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on May 31, 2018