



# Office of the County Attorney

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## FINANCE, LEGAL AND SAFETY COMMITTEE September 16, 2025 10:30 A.M.

#### ATTENDANCE:

Legislators: Chair Sauerbrey, Ciotoli, Monell, Standinger, Roberts, Flesher, Brown, Bunce, Aronstam.

Staff: Legislative Clerk Haskell, County Attorney DeWind, Treasurer McFadden, Deputy Treasurer Chandler, Chief Accountant Schurter, Safety Officer Holbrook, Personnel Officer Parke

Guest(s): Celia Clarke

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Legislator Monell asked for a motion to approve August 12, 2025, minutes. Legislator Ciotoli made the motion seconded by Legislator Brown and was unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL: Safety and Legal's budgets are tracking well.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Litigation and Claims: Juvenile delinquent rates are continuing to rise at an above average rate resulting in an increased workload of the part-time Assistant County Attorney, Litigation is moving toward settlement for two ongoing matters.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- NARCAN training for DPW: Public Works employees have requested training due to possible exposure during the course of their work duties. Public Health will facilitate the training, and employees have been given NARCAN kits. Social Services mail staff will also be trained in safe mail handling.
- ADA Survey/Remediation for 56 Main Street: Ms. Holbrook is working with Building and Grounds to remediate the deficiencies that the survey found.

### PERSONNEL:

- Safety Officer vacation: September 22 to October 1, 2025.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant County Attorney vacancy remains open with no interest. The Assistant Public Defender and Case Manager (Public Defender's Office) positions are still vacant at this time.

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RESOLUTIONS: AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ALVOGEN, INC., AMNEAL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., APOTEX INC., HIKMA PHARMACEUTICALS USA INC., INDIVIOR INC., MYLAN PHARMACEUTICALS INC., SUN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES, INC., AND ZYDUS PHARMACEUTICALS (USA), INC. CONCERNING CLAIMS RELATED TO THE OPIOID CRISIS and AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE PURDUE DIRECT SETTLEMENT AND DIRECT SETTLEMENT SHARING AGREEMENT CONCERNING CLAIMS RELATED TO THE OPIOID CRISIS were moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

PROCLAMATIONS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Chair Sauerbrey asked for an executive session to discuss litigation matters. Chair Sauerbrey made the motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Legislator Flesher at 11:12 A.M. Legislator Roberts made the motion to exit from executive session and was seconded by Legislator Bunce at 11:33 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT: Legislator Monell adjourned the Finance, Legal and Safety Committee meeting at 11:34 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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