



Law and Justice Council of Thurston County  
Thurston County Courthouse Building 1 Room 280  
Minutes Thursday April 18, 2019

Welcome and Introduction – Patrick O’Connor called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm. Welcome and introductions were made and a sign in sheet is on record.

The minutes from January 17, 2019 meeting were approved.

Review & vote of Charter/Update resolution – Patrick O’Connor led the review of updates made by the Charter subcommittee to the Charter. After reviewing updates, the council agreed upon the following additional changes:

- Added fairness to the purpose
- Grammatical corrections to the background
- Added a statement regarding Thurston County Thrives to council responsibilities
- Added Municipal Public Defense to membership

Motion was offered, seconded and passed to adopt the changes to the Charter. Next steps are to make recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners, community members at large and update resolution.

Define data measurables – Patrick O’Connor led a discussion and provided examples of what the council could use to define data measurables. Some other suggestions, such as thinking big and systematically, and the jail population could be a good point of capturing data. There was also discussion around limited resources and how this would be accomplished. Recommendation to have quarterly data a standing agenda item.

Strategic Planning – There was discussion surrounding the current state of the Council’s strategic plan. Request to volunteer on a subcommittee to work of strategic planning was made. Marianne Clear and Mike Fenton volunteered. Patrick O’Connor will follow up with the Thurston County Sheriff on volunteering.

Strategy Map – The council reviewed a condensed one-page version of the Council’s strategic plan that was prepared by Jessie Knudsen, Community Engagement Specialist from the Thurston County Prosecutor’s Office. There was discussion around adding/revising the language for the goals section to better align with the strategic plan, and to add serving youth/juvenile justice as a goal.

Under the Good of the Order:

- Make recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners for the updates to the Charter and update resolution.
- Subcommittee for Strategic Planning

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

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