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Meeting Agenda

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Thursday, May 18, 2017

1:15 PM

San Francisco

CLOSED SESSION (RULE 10.6(B))—PLANNING, PERSONNEL, AND DISCUSSION PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

Session 1:15 – 1:45 p.m.

Transitional Break 1:45 – 1:55 p.m.

OPEN SESSION (RULE 10.6(A)) — MEETING AGENDA

Session 1:55 – 3:20 p.m.

Call to Order

Judicial Council Members' Liaison Reports

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Judicial Council Members' Liaison Reports

Summary:

Judicial Council Members report on their visits to the Superior Courts of California.

45 minutes

DISCUSSION AGENDA

[17-074](#)

Language Access: Update on Language Access Plan Implementation and Report: *Wayfinding and Signage Strategies for Language Access in the California Courts: Report and Recommendations (No Action Required)*

Summary:

To strengthen the California judiciary's capacity to meet the needs of millions of people with limited-English language skills, the Judicial Council charged the Language Access Plan Implementation Task Force with implementing the *Strategic Plan for Language Access in the California Courts*. This report offers a brief description of progress on implementation of the plan. The task force also submits an informational report with recommendations for courts on

“wayfinding” and signage strategies to assist limited-English-proficient (LEP) court users. The report will be shared with the 58 superior courts and posted to the Language Access Toolkit.

Speakers:

Hon. Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar, Chair, Language Access Plan
Implementation Task Force

Hon. Laurie D. Zelon, Co-Chair, Translation, Signage and Tools for
Courts Subcommittee

20 minutes

[17-089](#)

Court Facilities: Court Facilities Trust Fund-Reducing Operations and Maintenance Costs, and Utility Costs in Courthouses (Action Required)

Summary:

The Court Facilities Trust Fund (CFTF) supports two significant trial court expenses: operations and maintenance, and utility expenses. Due to a revenue shortfall, the CFTF is projected to have a funding deficit in FY 2017-2018 of \$10.3 million. The current action plan to address the CFTF’s funding shortfall is to focus on saving 10 percent of costs for both operations and maintenance and utilities in trial court facilities statewide. The Trial Court Facility Modification Advisory Committee (TCFMAC) recommends the Judicial Council direct staff to take all actions necessary to reduce utility and maintenance costs, including engaging the local trial courts. The TCFMAC advocates for quick action on energy conservation and efficiency in order to protect CFTF funds that are critical to the ongoing operations and maintenance of trial court facilities.

Speakers:

Hon. Donald Cole Byrd, Chair, Trial Court Facility Modification
Advisory Committee

Hon. William F. Highberger, Vice-chair, Trial Court Facility Modification
Advisory Committee

Mr. Mike Courtney, Capital Program

20 minutes

Adjournment (approx. 3:20 p.m.)