PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Stuart J. Forrest, Chief Probation Officer



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Stevent S. Forrest

To:

Community Corrections Partnership

John L. Maltbie, Acting County Manager

Lee Thompson, County Counsel

From:

Stuart J. Forrest, Chief Probation Officer

Chair, Community Corrections Partnership

Date:

January 23, 2012

Re:

Submission of the Local Implementation Plan to the Board of Supervisors

RECOMMENDATION

In recognition that the Board of Supervisors cannot use the same process to pass the proposed local plan and its budget, I recommend that the Community Corrections Partnership submit the proposed local plan and budget at the same time, but as two separate documents requiring two separate votes.

DISCUSSION

From our Partnership and Executive Committee discussions, I believe that some members believe that the final proposed local plan will contain a proposed budget, while others believe that the proposed local plan and budget will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors together, but as two separate documents (requiring two separate voting procedures). The recommendation above prevents any confusion among Partnership members about our local plan development and submission process. I am providing the recommendation for your consideration in advance of our meeting to prepare everyone for any necessary discussion.

According to the legislation (AB109), the proposed local plan requires four "NAY" votes for it to fail; otherwise it is automatically accepted. On the other hand, the Board of Supervisors may pass (or disallow) a proposed budget with three votes. Combining the local plan and budget in one document complicates the process of passage and severely restricts the board members ability to modify (or improve) the proposed local plan and/or budget. Keeping the documents separate facilitates board discussion and passage of both proposals and ensures that the adopted plans reflect the objectives and priorities of the Board of Supervisors.