# DANE COUNTY

#### PP&J & CJC



Presented By Dane County Office of Corporation Counsel

#### PP&J

The Public Protection & Judiciary Committee is one of 7 Standing Committees of the County Board.

- **❖ It is comprised of 7 County Board Supervisors**
- Oversight Duties Include:

#### **Oversight Duties**

7.17(1): Act as the supervisory committee for the corporation counsel, family court commissioner, family court counseling service, public safety communications center, the juvenile court program, emergency management department, medical examiner, and on all matters pertaining to telecommunications and emergency medical services.

- Committee can take certain actions in furtherance of its obligations:
  - \* Recommend changes to departmental budgets
  - Work with departments on the formulation of policies
  - Recommend policy changes or new policies to be carried out by departments
  - Monitor performance with how departments are carrying out county policies
  - Recommend action on resolutions or ordinances affecting policy of each department
- Some departments have limited flexibility to changing policies because of statutory obligations and judicial oversight.

## **Duties**

7.17(2) Act as the policy oversight committee for the Dane County Local Emergency Planning Committee, offices of sheriff, district attorney and clerk of courts, and the Dane County court system.

- ❖ Committee can take the some of the same type of actions in furtherance of its obligations to provide policy oversight, but much more limited.
- These departments are headed by Constitutional Officers, including the DA, Sheriff, Clerk of Courts and Judiciary.
- Each Officer must execute their duties in accordance with state law, and some may have powers protected by the constitution, e.g. the Sheriff

### **Duties**

7.17(6) Settle all claims, other than claims of employees against the county, in amounts not exceeding \$10,000 and authorize the corporation counsel to litigate, settle, defend or settle any such claim.

## **Duties**

7.17 (7) The committee is empowered to make settlement offers in those claims and lawsuits where the county executive has reviewed the matter and made a recommendation and where the committee finds it is in the best interests of Dane County to settle, provided that any such settlement which is over \$10,000 shall be sent to the personnel & finance committee for eventual routing to the county board as a bill and account over \$10,000. All settlements shall be reported to the board monthly.

7.17(8) Concern itself with the enforcement of Dane County Ordinances

#### CJC

The Criminal Justice Council is a Ch. 15 commission set forth in DCO 15.46.

It is comprised of executive level criminal justice leaders, and other stakeholders. Its membership and duties include the following:

# **CJC DUTIES**

#### 15.46 (1) (a) of six voting members:

- 1. the county executive;
- 2. the county board chair;
- 3. the sheriff;
- 4. the district attorney;
- 5. the presiding judge of the circuit court;
- 6. the clerk of courts.
- 15.46(1)(b) six non-voting members:
- 1. a representative of the state public defender's office;
- 2. the City of Madison chief of police;
- 3. a police chief from a jurisdiction outside the City of Madison appointed by the Dane County Police Chief's Association;
- 4. a representative of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections;
- 5. a representative of Dane County municipal judges;
- 6. a representative of the Public Protection and Judiciary Committee, appointed by the committee chair.

### **CJC Membership**

- 15.46 (3) Duties. The Council shall:
- (a) Provide an on-going forum for collaboration and coordinated leadership among criminal justice agencies.
- (b) Facilitate the implementation of effective, data-driven criminal justice policies and practices that maximize justice and the safety of the public.
- (c) Monitor and ensure accountability of the criminal justice system.
- (d) Provide program oversight for certain criminal justice initiatives.

#### **CJC Subcommittees**

#### **Pre-Trial Services Subcommittee**

emphasizes the importance of evidence-based decision-making and the usage of data and research in the criminal justice system.

#### **Racial Disparities Subcommittee**

Examines disproportionate minority contact in the criminal justice system

#### The Behavioral Health Subcommittee

focuses on the intersection of behavioral health conditions and the criminal justice system in Dane County.

# QUESTIONS?