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DEPARTMENT: Police Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: William P. McManus, Chief of Police

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

AAPC/Magistration Update

SUMMARY:

In January 2019, ongoing discussions between SAPD and Bexar County officials regarding the potential relocation of arrestee processing and magistration to the County's Justice Intake & Assessment Annex (JIAA) transitioned to specific process improvements and modifications to the JIAA that will address custody and capacity concerns. The identified improvements and modifications focus on minimizing the amount of time officers must maintain custody of the arrestee, creating additional parking for officers, acceptance of Class C arrestees, creating additional space for property acceptance, expansion of DWI area to allow for additional intoxicizers and acceptance of public inebriates. City and County officials continue to meet regularly to formalize identified improvements and most recently met on April 18 to review floor plan modifications to improve the ability of the JIAA to accommodate the anticipated arrestee load when SAPD begins processing all city arrestees at the facility.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Public Safety Committee Tours

The SAPD coordinated individual tours of the JIAA and the City's Arrestee Administrative Processing Center (AAPC) in late February and early March for members of the Public Safety Committee to provide committee members with a more complete understanding of how each facility operates and the operational impact of the concerns identified by the Department. Chief McManus and Bexar County Sheriff officials provided committee members with an overview of the arrestee intake process and discussed several proposed improvements to increase capacity and create efficiencies in the custody transfer process.

Proposed JIAA Improvements

On April 18, the SAPD and Municipal Court met with Bexar County officials to review the initial design plans for the construction of additional space to accommodate the Department's needs and provide input on the proposed modifications. Among the improvements presented by Bexar County were the following:

- Increased space for property storage
- Construction of additional space to process Class C arrestees
- Creation of additional parking for law enforcement

In addition to the proposed new construction, previously discussed modifications within the existing JIAA facility to expand the DWI area must still be presented. Sheriff Salazar has also expressed his commitment to dedicate additional personnel and to modify custody transfer procedures to create an arrestee intake process that ensures officers are able to return to service as quickly as possible.

Next Steps

SAPD will review the initial design plans submitted by Bexar County and provide feedback in early May. The Department will continue to meet with Bexar County officials to finalize design plans, discuss project costs and develop an efficient arrestee processing system that does not impact officer availability.

RECOMMENDATION:

The briefing is for information purposes only