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The Honorable Claudia Balducci
Chair, King County Council
Room 1200
C O U R T H O U S E

Dear Councilmember Balducci:

This letter transmits a report on the Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention's Community Work Program, as called for by Ordinance 19210, Section 50, Proviso P4 and a proposed Motion that would, if enacted, acknowledge receipt of the report.

The Community Work Program (CWP) is an alternative to secure detention program that has been offered by the Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention (DAJD) since 2002. The program was designed to provide a diversion alternative from jail for low-level, low-risk defendants as well as allow for court-ordered sanctions and financial obligations to be satisfied. The CWP was shuttered in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and was ultimately eliminated in the 21-22 biennial budget process.

The enclosed report provides information about the program and outlines the variety of community outreach and workgroup efforts gathered for the report. It identifies options for alternative ways to serve the needs of program participants. I have not identified a preferred option for CWP due to the continued uncertainties of COVID-19. Of the options identified, a revised, or hybrid CWP option would be the most practical alternative and will be considered in the 2023-2024 budget process.

This report furthers the County's Strategic Plan goal of efficient, accountable regional and local government. The estimated cost to produce this report is \$20,000.

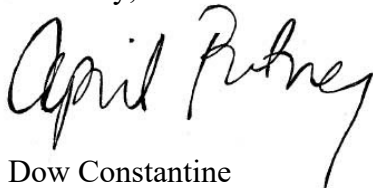
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If your staff have any questions, please contact John Diaz, Director, Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention, at 206-263-3669.

Sincerely,

 for

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Enclosure

cc: King County Councilmembers

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