



## Request for City Council Committee Action from the Department of Intergovernmental Relations

Date: January 28, 2008  
To: IGR Chair Betsy Hodges and Committee Members  
**Subject: 2008 CJCC Legislative Agenda**

**Recommendation: For Information and Discussion; Receive and File**

Prepared and Approved by: Gene Ranieri

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Presenters in Committee: IGR Staff

### **Financial Impact**

- No financial impact

### **Supporting Information**

The Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee (CJCC) is a multi-jurisdictional committee of elected and appointed officials representing Hennepin County, Minneapolis, the Fourth Judicial District and Hennepin County suburbs. Council Members Ostrow and Glidden, Mayor Rybak, Chief Dolan and City Attorney Susan Segal serve on the committee. The committee's purpose is to propose policy and process improvements to the county's criminal justice system. The committee annually adopts a work program which includes a legislative agenda, research topics and policy issues.

### **2008 Legislative Agenda**

The CJCC's 2008 agenda includes three priorities. Two relate to funding while the third recommends the development of a system to improve the information regarding the insurance status of motor vehicles throughout Minnesota.

The funding priorities recommend funding for juvenile offender community-based "out of home" placements and programs to serve juveniles leaving "out of home" placement and for increased funding for state aid programs. The latter priority recommends at least inflationary funding for LGA and County Aid.

The support items recommend funding to address violent crime, reentry programs for sex offenders, criminal justice information systems, and the bonding request for Heading Home Hennepin. The CJCC also supports the concept of red light camera use by local jurisdictions and recommends that the shift of state costs to local units be reduced.

# CJCC

Criminal Justice Coordinating  
Committee  
Hennepin County/City of  
Minneapolis

## 2008 CJCC Legislative Agenda December, 2007

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### *CJCC priorities include:*

1. As a part of a focus on juvenile crime and offenders, the CJCC:
  - Opposes efforts to reduce the age at which juveniles can be tried as an adult.
  - Supports increased funding targeted toward providing community-based out-of-home placements for juveniles with serious mental health and chemical dependency disorders.
  - Supports providing increased funding targeted toward coordinated after care and reentry services for juveniles exiting out of home placement.
2. Providing no less than inflationary adjustments for state aid that funds criminal justice functions, including Local Government Aid (LGA) and County Program Aid.
3. Developing a proposal to create, implement, and administer an electronic database system that would provide up-to-date monitoring of the insurance status of each motor vehicle required under the laws of Minnesota.

### *The CJCC also supports:*

- Prioritizing new criminal justice funding to address violent crime.
- Reducing shifting of state costs to local governments, including housing short-term offenders in local facilities.
- Providing funding for housing, employment and treatment programs for sex offenders on supervised release and probation.
- Assisting local government with funding criminal justice information integration between local and state systems.
- Authorizing the concept of red light camera use by local jurisdictions.
- The bonding request of \$2.5 million for a Heading Home Opportunity Center in Minneapolis, which will help connect people who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless to services.

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