

**CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**



Agenda Date:	September 6, 2022
Action Required:	The Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail will request council support through a resolution to be presented during the regular business meeting in support of the facility seeking approval and funding by the Virginia Board of Local and Regional Jails for the proposed future expansion and renovation of existing space as identified in the Community Based Plan Planning Study.
Presenter:	Colonel Martin Kumer - ACRJ Superintendent
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Title:	Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail update

Background

The Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail facility was created to provide secure confinement, at the local level, for local and state-responsible inmates, and to enhance the public safety and welfare within the region for the protection of its citizens. The regional jail is an intergovernmental partnership between the Counties of Albemarle and Nelson, and the City of Charlottesville.

Discussion

The facility opened in 1975 to combine the Albemarle County and Charlottesville City jails. In 1997, Nelson County became the third Jail member. In September 2020, the ACRJ Board was presented with the Facility Condition Assessment. Through that document, it was determined that there were several mechanical, HVAC, electrical, and plumbing issues related to the 1974 facility that needed to be addressed. In January 2021, the Board determined that due to that report a comprehensive plan should be developed to address all of the Jail's needs. The Board additionally decided to seek reimbursement from the state for 25% of the costs to address the identified concerns, it would have to conduct a Community Based Corrections Plan (CBCP). The plan, which is required for state reimbursement, also worked to determine the facility staff, inmates, and the community's needs. The CBCP was begun in March 2021 by Mosley Architects and completed in June 2021. In July 2021, the Board formally approved the Jail to contract with Mosley Architects to conduct a full CBCP and Community Engagement Plan, and from August 2021-September 2021 stakeholder interviews, public tours, and public engagement sessions were held. Information on the CBCP/Renovation and Expansion Plan was presented to all three partner jurisdictions in October 2021, and in December 2021 the Board approved a resolution authorizing Mosley Architects to submit the CBCP to the state Board of Local and Regional Jails for review as required to seek 25% reimbursement for the renovations. While the state Board of Local and Regional Jails has been presented with the CBCP they have yet to make a determination on ACRJ's CBCP presentation and approval/funding request at the time of this submission.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

Community Engagement

From August 2021-September 2021, the Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail sought information and input from community stakeholders through interviews, public tours of the facility, and public engagement sessions. ACRJ also encourages community input during its monthly Board meetings through its public comment section.

Budgetary Impact

The total cost of the proposed project is \$49 million, and the proposed resolution before City Council is to seek State reimbursement for 25% or \$12.5 million of eligible costs to provide additional support to this project outside of locality contributions. There is no budgetary impact at this time should Council approve the proposed resolution. However, do note that the projected share of debt is provided on slide 14 of the presentation for the City of Charlottesville, and on slides 10 and 12 respectfully for the County of Albemarle and the County of Nelson.

Recommendation

Alternatives

Attachments

1. September2022_Revised Schedule for Jurisdiction Funding