

MULTNOMAH COUNTY OREGON

May 7, 2012



FY 2013 Budget Worksession – Sheriff's Office

Issues/Discussions/Findings

Sheriff's Office

Commissioner Kafoury: Did last year's change in the capacity management plan (from 97% to 95%) play a role in the current year's number of early releases (ERP's)? Would releases that occurred this year under a 95% policy have also occurred under the former 97% policy?

Response:

Please see chart below.

Commissioner Kafoury: What are the impacts of the City's Proposed budget on the Sheriff's Office? Please include the following:

- What are the proposed City reductions (programmatic and \$)
- What are the impacts to Sheriff operations
- What are the options to mitigate the cuts

Response:

The Mayor's recent proposals for funding reductions to City supported programs may affect the operations of the Sheriff's Office at booking. Specifically, the City maintains jail ID technician operations in the jail, which is our singular method of confirming identification of arrestees during the booking process. The Mayor has stated that the City cannot go on supporting the jail ID operations at its current level, although no specific amount has been suggested as to an increase of funding by the County (currently MCSO pays approximately \$250,000 in contract fees for the jail ID function provided by the City). It is also worth noting the City and MCSO have had the same agreement for ID services for nearly 27 years, with the only change being MCSO taking over the Mugshot function in 1993.

If the City were to end ID services in the jail altogether, it would be incumbent upon the Sheriff to provide those services, either internally or through the funding of the City operation, as statute requires the identification of all arrestees booked into jail on criminal charges.

If the City were to end operation of Detox, inevitably the jail would see more bookings for low-level crimes usually handled through a citation and short stay at detox. This would not necessarily create more jail housing, rather increase processing of arrestees at booking.

Commissioner Kafoury: Please provide a future presentation addressing where things currently stand regarding overtime and vacancies. Please include the following for FY 2013

- Total overtime budget - **\$3,506,089 TOTAL**
- FTE/Staffing – **776.3 FTE TOTAL**
- Anticipated numbers for upcoming retirements, vacancies, and new hires?

Response:

There will be a board briefing regarding Corrections Deputy hiring and Overtime later this month (May 24, 2012) which will address all of these questions.

Commissioner Kafoury: What is the minimum number of U.S. Marshal beds that need to be funded in order for the County to break even? Please provide the underlying analysis that helps you determine that number.

Response:

For FY13 the 112 USM beds will bring in \$5,243,678 in revenue, which is very close to the same amount of the last 6 MCIJ dorms in our system:

#	Program	GF Cost	BEDS
60041E	MCSO MCIJ Dorms 6 & 7	\$ 2,051,379	118
60041F	MCSO MCIJ Dorms 8 & 9	\$ 1,138,921	118
60041G	MCSO MCIJ Dorm 5	\$ 1,639,230	59
60041H	MCSO MCIJ Dorm 4	\$ 633,302	59
TOTALS		\$ 5,462,832	354

USM Beds = 112
County Beds = 242

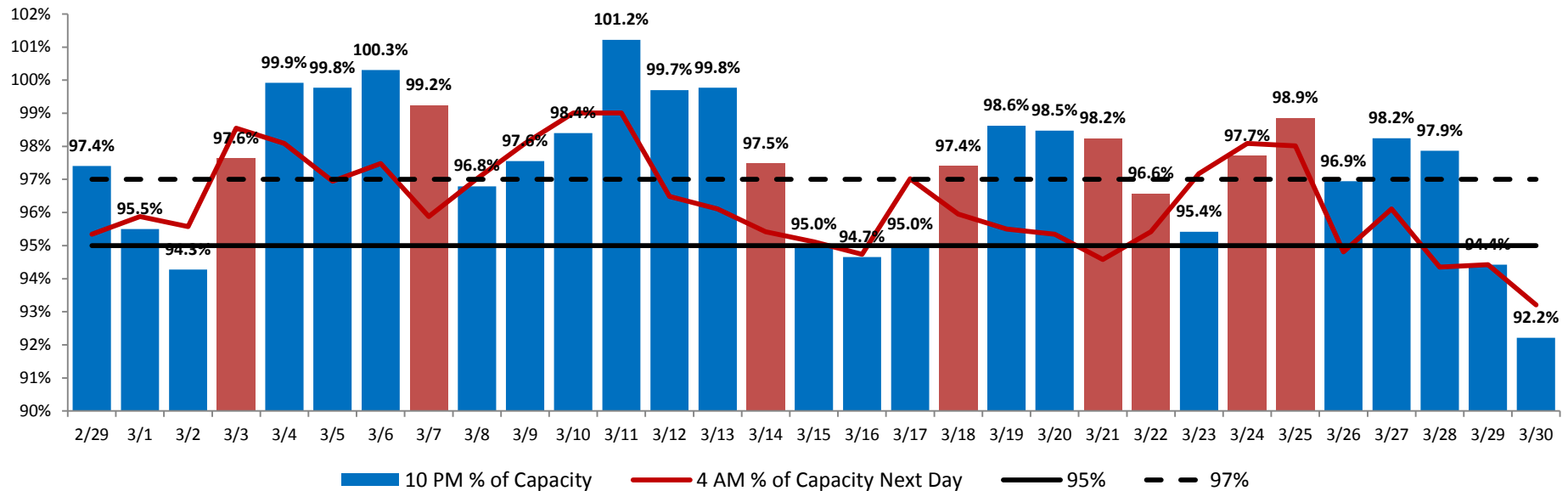
So the USM revenue would fund the housing of their 112 ADP inmates as well as 242 ADP of County inmates. If the funding were to go away, without \$3.2 million in backfill funding from the board we would lose 242 County beds.

There is also an Oregon Revised Statute requiring the jail system receive federal inmates (ORS 169.530 Duty to receive federal prisoners), so many USM inmates would continue to be housed in our jail system.

Question: Did the last year's change in the capacity management plan (from 97% to 95%) play a role in the current year's number of emergency population releases (EPRs)? Would releases that occurred this year under a 95% policy have also occurred under the former 97% policy?

March 2012* Population as a Percent of Capacity at 10 pm and 4 am

Red bars indicate EPRs



*The change in the Capacity Management Plan was made in July of 2010, nearly two years ago. The dates displayed here were selected based on current relevance due to recent emergency population release events. In the entire year following the Capacity Management Plan change, only 13 forced releases occurred.

Answer: The change from 97% to 95% has not meaningfully affected releases.

- The March 22nd EPR (at 96.6%) was the only emergency release made at below 97% of capacity.

Jail population hydraulics are complex. Decisions (based on needs, behavior, gender, etc.) must ensure safety for arrestees and staff.

- The chart shows the ebb and flow of the population between 10 pm, when the majority of the day's bookings have taken place, and 4 am when all *scheduled* releases have been made.
- At 10 pm, the population is almost always above 95% and sometimes above 100%.
- In order to meet our constitutional requirement, by 4 am the jail population must not exceed 100% of capacity.
- Blue bars are days where scheduled releases brought the population below 100%. Red bars are days where EPRs were needed.
- At the currently budgeted jail capacity, the difference between 100% and 95% of capacity is only 65 individuals.