

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Regular Meeting – May 21, 2025

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PRINCE WILLIAM – MANASSAS REGIONAL JAIL BOARD

MINUTES

1) Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call

On Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., the Prince William-Manassas Regional Jail Board Meeting was called to order by Chairman Hill.

Roll call (members/alternates present): Ashworth, Austin, Bailey (via conference call), Climer, Hill, Keen, Lenox, Smith, and Torres. Absent: Guzman and Newsham. ***Quorum established.***

Chairman Hill requested a motion to allow Rev Bailey to attend the meeting by means of a conference call. A motion was made by Ms. Ashworth; Second by Ms. Lenox. ***Motion Carried.***

Jail staff present: Jamie Click (Director of Financial Services), Captain Cortes (Director of Administration), Captain Cowthran (Director of Technology and Community Relations), Captain Dickinson (Director of Classification and Treatment), Major Hurlock (Director of Inmate Services), Captain Kepler (Director of Security), Major McMahon (Director of Support Services), and Colonel West (Superintendent).

Jail Board Secretary: Ashley Jensen

Legal Counsel: Sharon Pandak was present.

2) Public Comments

Written comments were received and made available to all Jail Board members.

Members of the public present to observe:

- Ms. Angela Cho, Haymarket Virginia
- Ms. Meg Carrvel, Manassas Virginia
- Ms. Illana Naylor, Manassas Virginia
- Brenda Parade, Nokesville Virginia

Chairman Hill stated that public comments will be entertained during the Jail Board Meeting in July. Individuals representing an organization can have no more than five speak.

3) Approval of Agenda

Chairman Hill requested a motion to approve the agenda for May 21, 2025. The motion was made by Chief Keen; seconded by Mr. Torres. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

4) Approval of Minutes

Chairman Hill requested a motion to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Regional Jail Board on March 19, 2025. A motion was made by Chief Keen; seconded by Ms. Climer. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

5) Superintendent's Report

a. Inmate Population Report

Complex average daily population (ADP) for ten months of FY 2025 was 544, with the complex high being 1,131 in FY 2015. Transfers to the Department of Corrections: March – 9, April – 13. Commitments: March – 663, April – 625. Releases: March – 671, April – 614. Process only, not committed: March – 43, April – 50.

Let the record show that Ms. Guzman arrived at 6:03 p.m.

The complex average daily population for March was 528 with a high of 543. Complex average daily population for April was 524 with a high of 541.

b. Status of FY 2024 Objectives – Status Updates for the 2-month period September-October 2024

1. Implement additional strategies to increase recruitment and hiring of Adult Detention Center Staff to fill vacant positions

- The ADC is currently advertising vacancies on nine job search websites.

2. Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)

- 1 Substantiated Sexual Assault
- 1 Substantiated Sexual Harassment
- 5 Unfounded Sexual Harassments

3. Ensure for Career Development Training

- Crisis Intervention Training
 - 7 Staff

- VARJ Annual Conference
 - 6 Staff
- Shotgun Requalification
 - 58 Staff
- Officer In Person In-Service
 - 25 Staff

4. Monitor the renovation of the Central Lobby.

- The lobby project has been awarded to Taft Construction. They are pulling permits and preparing to start work as soon as materials arrive.

5. Participate with the Evidence-Based Decision Making (EBDM) Policy Team through collaboration to enhance safety in the community and improve the Criminal Justice System, while benefiting the Adult Detention Center.

- Since 10/19/21, 857 boxes of Narcan have been given to inmates upon release.
- Currently, 76 inmates receive medicated assisted treatment.

c. Other Comments

Superintendent West provided an update to the Jail Board regarding recent changes to the Agency's Executive Staff. Captain Kepler was selected as Director of Security. Captain Dickinson was selected as Director of Classification and Treatment. Captain Cowthran was selected as Director of Technology and Community Relations. Captain Cortes was selected as Director of Administration.

Superintendent West informed the Jail Board that the Agency recently underwent an audit conducted by the Board of Local and Regional Jails on March 25th and 27th. The audit reviewed 127 standards, and the Agency achieved 100% compliance. National Correctional Employee Week was observed from May 4th – May 10th. The Agency received a proclamation from the Board of County Supervisors for that week written by Ms. Click. Superintendent West thanked the ADC Employee Association for hosting several meals for both day and night shift staff as well as providing breakfast items.

Superintendent West provided an update to the Jail Board on several initiatives that had been implemented across the Agency. He met with over 200 staff to improve staff engagement. A mentoring program had been established to support new employees, pairing them with an executive staff member for the first six months of employment. The internship program had also been expanded, with six interns expected for the summer, which was an increase from the previous average of two. The Agency's committees focused on retention, recruitment, and morale continued to meet regularly. Superintendent West also met with members of the Board of County Supervisors and the County Executive to discuss staff retention. As part of this year's approved budget, sworn staff received a \$3,000 stipend bonus and an additional \$1,500 bonus. Recruitment efforts were enhanced by adding more staff to the Human Resources Department to support application processing and setting up recruitment booths at various community events. There were 75 applications in process and a total of 11 new hires in most recent orientations.

The ADC Employee Association's Annual Golf Tournament will be on Monday, June 9th, and encouraged members of the Jail Board to participate.

Superintendent West introduced to the Jail Board the 2024 Ginny Hayward Volunteer of the Year and presented a plaque to Mr. Duane Carroll. Captain Dickinson read the nomination for the award from the agency's Chaplain, Raymond Perez.

Chairman Hill stated that volunteers help make a difference in the atmosphere and the ability for staff to run a safe and secure facility. Volunteers are the ambassadors for the agency and the surrounding communities. He thanked Mr. Carroll for the hard work that he does. Chairman Hill then asked the Jail Board if they had questions for Superintendent West.

Chairman Hill asked for the current number of vacancies. Superintendent West reported that there were approximately 80 vacancies for sworn staff.

Mr. Torres added that those statistics used to be listed within the agenda package. Captain Cowthran informed the Jail Board that the statistics could be found on the Human Resources Report that started on page 37 of the packet.

Superintendent West attended the recent Board of County Supervisors meeting focused on staffing. He noted that vacancies at the ADC were under review by the Board.

6) Budget Update

Ms. Click presented the agency budget updates for FY 2025 as of April 30, 2025. The agency was on target to exceed the budgeted revenue goal for the fiscal year by approximately \$1.8 million or 2.9%, attributable to State Compensation Board revenue being slated to be slightly higher than expectations. The City of Manassas year-to-date utilization rate as of April 30, 2025, was 10.9%. The agency budgeted for a utilization rate of 13.5% and therefore will result in a refund of approximately \$1.01 million.

The operating expenditure's actual spending as of April 30, 2025, represented 79.6% of the total budget with 83.3% of the fiscal year elapsed; a reasonable spending pace to fall at budget expectations.

Ms. Click stated that her report should specify all federal billing to include ICE, US Marshall and Homeland Security agencies. It is not all ICE, and she will reflect that in the next financial report. The agency billed ten days for one inmate in March, and five days for two inmates in April.

Ms. Click updated the Jail Board on the Board of County Supervisors agenda items, as stated by Superintendent West, the agency received a proclamation for National Correctional Employees Week. The agency will accept the FY2025 SCAAP Grant Award of \$346,587 once accepted at the upcoming BOCS

meeting on June 3, 2025.

The FY2026 final approved budget had significant impacts from the sworn staff compensation study which resulted in scale adjustments of 5.72%-9.34% as well as a \$3,000 retention bonus for the next 5 years. The retention bonus will be evaluated at the four-year mark to see if it helped with retaining sworn staff. The general fund will support operating expenditure with a few contractual increases, but the majority of what was requested in the budget will be paid using the agency's fund balance. The County requested that the fund balance be utilized before requesting additional support.

The FY2026 Virginia State Budget was signed and approved by Governor Youngkin. The only change that affected the agency was the removal of language related to the possible risk of per diem revenue that Ms. Click stated in previous Jail Board meetings.

Commissary spend for FY2025 as of April 30, 2025, landed at about \$475k out of the million budgeted for the year. The commissary budget was lower due to the removal of the gym floor project that would not recur. The budget remained similar to the previous year, with some contractual increases, including a 2.3% increase in education programming costs and a 3% contractual increase from GEO Reentry Services.

Ms. Lenox asked if this was the second year contracted with GEO Reentry Services. Ms. Click replied that yes, it was the second year for the contract.

Chief Keen inquired about the current fund balance. Ms. Click reported that it was approximately \$19 million, with an expected addition of \$2 million from vacancy savings. She noted that after the anticipated \$7 million expenditure next year, the fund balance would be around \$12 million. Ms. Click stated this is a comfortable balance, attributed to the number of vacancies since COVID-19. She added that there are significant repair needs and expects the fund balance to be used effectively to address equipment and facility maintenance.

Ms. Smith asked if the full revenues available from the Compensation Board would be collected or impacted by the significant vacancies. Ms. Click responded that the State is currently funding the vacancies and has not reduced the agency's revenue, though it is possible the State could do so. Ms. Smith inquired if there was concern about similar action at the County level. Ms. Click explained that the positions at risk are those beyond what is approved and authorized by the State, including approximately 19 positions funded at a 0% rate by the State that could be reclaimed by the County. Ms. Smith asked if any positions had been taken back during the current budget cycle. Ms. Click stated no but noted that 38 positions had been taken over the past three fiscal years. The County has not removed the authorized positions but has withheld the associated funding. The agency currently has the capacity to fill 14 to 15 jail officer positions. Once the 19 positions are filled, the County will return the necessary funding from salary lapse savings. Ms. Smith then asked about the agency's turnover rate. Ms. Click reported it was approximately 17–19% in the previous year. Ms. Smith asked if that was considered high, to which Ms. Click replied that anything above 10% could be considered high, though similar numbers have been seen in other jurisdictions.

Ms. Guzman asked if the agency receives funding from the town of Dumfries. Ms. Click responded that it does not. She explained that the agency does courtesy holds but does not bill Dumfries due to low usage.

Chairman Hill requested a motion to approve the FY2026 Commissary budget. A motion was made by Mr. Torres; seconded by Chief Keen. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

The commissary cash balance as of April 30, 2025, was just over \$2 million, and inmate trust account balances totaled \$85,054 in March and \$98,410 in April.

7) Election of Jail Board Officers and Appointment of Jail Board Secretary

Chairman Hill opened the floor for motions to nominate a Chairman. Chief Keen made a motion to nominate Sheriff Hill as Chairman. Mr. Torres made a motion to close nominations for Chairman; seconded by Ms. Climer. Chairman Hill requested a motion to elect the Chairman for another year. Chief Keen made a motion to elect the Chairman for another year; seconded by Mr. Austin. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

Chairman Hill opened the floor for motions to nominate a Vice Chairman. Chairman Hill made a motion to nominate Chief Keen as Vice Chairman. Ms. Ashworth made a motion to close nominations for Vice Chairman; seconded by Ms. Smith. Chairman Hill requested a motion to elect the Vice Chairman for another year. Ms. Climer made a motion to elect the Vice Chairman for another year; seconded by Mr. Austin. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

Chairman Hill asked for a motion to appoint Ms. Jensen as the Jail Board Secretary. Ms. Climer made a motion; seconded by Ms. Ashworth. Vote unanimous. ***Motion Carried.***

8) Closed Session

At 6:37 p.m., Chief Keen made a motion to go into closed session under the provisions of Va. Code §2.2-3711.A.1 and 8.

1. Personnel matter relating to consideration of a prospective candidate for appointment as Jail Board General Legal Counsel and legal advice related to a proposed engagement agreement, pursuant to Va. Code §2.2-3711.A.1 and 8.

Ms. Climer seconded the motion. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. Vote unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

At 7:26 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Austin; seconded by Ms. Ashworth to certify the closed session

under provisions of Va. Code §2.2-3711.A.1 and 8 for only those matters identified in the motion to go into closed session and exempted from open meeting requirements discussed. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. Vote unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

9) Resolutions

Chief Keen introduced the resolution to appoint Hefty Wiley & Gore, PC, as Legal Counsel. **Resolution No. 2025-8** the Prince William-Manassas Regional Jail Board hereby appoints Hefty Wiley & Gore as General Legal Counsel, effective May 21, 2025, and approves the attached Agreement with the firm. The motion was seconded by Ms. Climer. The roll was called by Ms. Jensen. The motion passed with a vote of seven in favor, two opposed, one abstained, and one absent. ***Motion carried.***

10) Jail Board Member Comments

Rev Bailey had no comments.

Ms. Lenox emphasized that volunteers have a tremendous impact on the jail population, stating that without their involvement, many programs within the facility would not take place. She expressed her appreciation for the volunteers. Ms. Lenox also noted that she attended one of the events during Correctional Employee Appreciation Week and enjoyed the food and conversations during her visit.

Ms. Guzman wanted to congratulate Superintendent West on the recruitment efforts and progress made filling vacancies. She then requested to be excused from the meeting, as she had another meeting to attend.

Ms. Smith thanked Sheriff Hill for serving as Chairman for another year and thanked Ms. Jensen for her role as the Jail Board Secretary. She then requested the name of the Volunteer of the Year. Ms. Jensen responded that she would provide the name for her.

Ms. Climer congratulated Superintendent West on the successful audit. She also recognized the significant recruitment efforts. She then thanked Ms. Pandak for her service to the ADC and support to the Jail Board.

Mr. Torres expressed appreciation to Superintendent West for attending the Human Rights Commission meeting and providing information about the Agency's programs. He then addressed written public comments received regarding the subject of 287(g). Mr. Torres clarified that 287(g) was not on the Jail Board's agenda and he did not anticipate it would be. He stated there was no indication that the Agency would return to 287(g) and added that the ADC continues to provide cooperation with law enforcement consistent with the needs of the community.

Ms. Ashworth echoed Mr. Torres' comments regarding 287(g), expressing surprise at the public comments received and stating she did not anticipate supporting 287(g). She thanked Sheriff Hill and Chief Keen for

their continued service as Chairman and Vice Chairman. Ms. Ashworth commended Superintendent West and expressed her enthusiasm for the internship program, noting that the Commonwealth Attorney's Office also has an internship program and hoped the ADC's would be equally successful. She thanked Ms. Pandak for her legal services and support to the Jail Board and the ADC, wishing her well. Ms. Ashworth also stated her interest in becoming a sponsor of the upcoming ADC Employee Association Golf Tournament and expressed her intent to contribute.

Chief Keen thanked Chairman Hill for accepting the position of Chairman for another year, noting that Chairman Hill was the most qualified for the role. He commended Superintendent West for providing updates of his initiatives. He thanked Ms. Pandak for her services as Legal Counsel.

Mr. Austin congratulated Sheriff Hill and Chief Keen for their reappointments as Chairman and Vice Chair and appreciated their leadership. He appreciated the work Superintendent West had done for the agency. He congratulated him and the staff on the recent Board of Local and Regional Jails audit. He thanked Ms. Pandak for her services as Legal Counsel.

Chairman Hill complimented the staff for the prompt response to his calls noting that Workforce inmates cut the grass, pulled weeds and painted the curbs to help maintain the appearance of the courthouse. He added that the Jail Board will support the decisions made by Superintendent West.

Chairman Hill presented a plaque to Ms. Pandak in honor of her retirement as Legal Counsel.

Ms. Pandak thanked Chairman Hill and the Jail Board. She stated that it has been an honor representing the Jail Board and the Adult Detention Center.

11) Adjournment

At 7:42 p.m., Chief Keen made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Ashworth. All members present agreed to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Regional Jail Board. ***Motion Carried.***

The next regular meeting of the Prince William-Manassas Regional Jail Board is scheduled for Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., Central Building's Board Room. 9320 Lee Avenue, Manassa, VA 20110.

Resolutions

MOTION: Keen
SECOND: Climer

Regular Jail Board Meeting
May 21, 2025
Resolution No. 2025-8

RE: APPOINTMENT OF HEFTY WILEY & GORE, PC AS LEGAL COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Prince William – Manassas Regional Jail Board desires to appoint Hefty Wiley & Gore, P.C. as general Legal Counsel, with primary counsel from the firm being Brendan Scott Hefty;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William – Manassas Regional Jail Board hereby appoints Hefty Wiley & Gore as general Legal Counsel, effective May 21, 2025, and approves the attached Agreement with the firm.

VOTE

AYES: Austin, Climer, Guzman, Hill, Keen, Lenox, and Smith

NAYS: Ashworth and Bailey

ABSTAIN: Torres

ABSENT: Newsham

**Noah Lerman
Chief of Staff
Office of Delegate Lovejoy
July 14, 2025**

Good afternoon,

On behalf of Delegate Lovejoy's office, we wanted to pass along this letter from Delegate Lovejoy for the upcoming jail board meeting.

Thank you, and please let us know if you have any questions.

Warm regards,
Noah

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14 June 2025

Chairman Sheriff Hill and Members of the Jail Board,

As the Delegate for House District 22 in the Virginia House of Delegates, I'm writing to inquire about a potential change to the Jail Board's current policy on immigration status notifications.

Protecting public safety is one of our most important responsibilities, and I believe there is an opportunity to bolster existing procedures. As it stands, notification to federal immigration authorities (ICE) is required for illegal inmates who are charged with or convicted of felonies. I urge the Board to consider expanding this policy to also include individuals who are on a state or federal sex offender registry, as well as those charged with violent Class 1 misdemeanors such as assault, human trafficking, or destruction of property- when an immigration detainer is in place.

We can all agree that community safety is not a partisan issue. Ensuring that all members of our community- especially the most vulnerable, are protected from violent offenders should be a goal for all of us.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to continued partnership in keeping our communities safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ian T. Lovejoy".

Ian T. Lovejoy
Delegate, District 22
Virginia House of Delegates

Kenny Loveless
Manassas Virginia
July 14, 2025

Sheriff Hill and Members of the
Prince William – Manassas Regional Jail Board

Dear Sheriff Hill and Members of the Jail Board,

I write to you not to cite statistics or legal codes—others will provide those. Nor do I come before you to argue with political positions or promote partisanship. Instead, I write from a human perspective, and I speak from the heart. This issue is about our duty to care for and protect our neighbors. It is about compassion—but real, grounded compassion—and the courage to uphold trust in our system.

At the core of any society is trust. Trust that our laws will be enforced fairly. Trust that victims of crime will be protected. Trust that those who harm others will face consequences. When we choose not to cooperate with ICE in cases involving serious misdemeanor crimes, we are breaking that trust. We are failing those who rely on us for safety—especially the most vulnerable in our communities.

We have all heard the tragic stories of women, children, and young people who have suffered unimaginable trauma at the hands of individuals who should never have been allowed to remain in our neighborhoods. These stories may not always make the headlines, but they are real. Their pain is real. And it is made worse when the very system that was supposed to protect them turns away from one of the tools that could have stopped it from happening.

Let me be clear: cooperation with ICE is not about random deportations. It is about acknowledging when someone in our custody has already violated our laws—already shown disregard for the safety of others—and ensuring that they are not quietly released to start the cycle of harm all over again.

Refusing to cooperate with ICE in cases of serious crimes is not an act of compassion. It is an act of neglect—neglect of our responsibility to safeguard all residents, particularly the innocent.

This is not about rounding people up or engaging in mass enforcement. It is about honoring lawful detainers for individuals who have already been arrested, already screened, and already found to have committed serious crimes. It is about doing what is right.

I urge you, as stewards of public trust, to make the responsible decision. Do what is right—not what is easy or politically convenient—but what upholds the integrity of our justice

system and protects the safety of our community. Cooperate with ICE in serious cases. Restore trust. And above all, protect the innocent.

Sincerely,

Kenny Loveless

George Ellis
Manassas, VA
07/14/2025

Good Afternoon Jail Board and Sheriff Hill,

On behalf of our membership, the Manassas Republican Party would like to formally submit the attached letter with our request for the Board to expand on its immigration notification policy. Please confirm once all board members have received. Thank you for your consideration.

George Ellis
Chair

**Letter from the Manassas Republican Committee
Manassas Virginia**

July 9, 2025

Chairman Sheriff Hill, Members of the Jail Board:

One of the most important responsibilities of any municipality is providing a safe community for everyone who lives in that community. We are concerned that all members of our community, including our children, are at risk because violent individuals are not being processed and/or prosecuted causing unsafe neighborhoods.

A major solution to this threat to our local communities would be that anyone who goes through the jail system would be fully processed to include an immigration status check with notification.

Since this is not a partisan issue, but a safety issue, we call on other community leaders such as our elected officials and the local Democratic Party to join the Manassas Republican Party in requesting a reform in the Jail Board's current policy on immigration status notifications.

We urge the Jail Board to expand the current policy to require notification, not only for inmates charged with or convicted of felonies, but also for inmates on a state or federal sex offender registry or charged with and/or convicted of Class 1 misdemeanors, when an immigration detainer is in place.

Below you'll find a specific list of examples of Class 1 misdemeanors that would be covered under an expanded immigration notification policy.

Sincerely,

Manassas Republican Committee

Letter from the Manassas Republican Committee (cont.)
Manassas Virginia

Assault and Battery

1. Assault & Battery – [Va. Code § 18.2-57]
Physical attack without serious bodily injury.
2. Domestic Assault & Battery – [Va. Code § 18.2-57.2]
Assault against a family or household member.
3. Assault & Battery Against Law Enforcement or Emergency Personnel (no serious injury) – [Va. Code § 18.2-57(C)]
Attacks against officers, EMTs, or teachers.
4. Unlawful Wounding Attempt (Under Battery Statute) – Often charged under [§ 18.2-57]
Attempted violence without a weapon or serious injury.
5. Obstruction of Justice (Physical Interference) – [Va. Code § 18.2-460]
Interfering with law enforcement during lawful duties.

Human Trafficking–Related Offenses

1. Aiding Prostitution or Illicit Sexual Intercourse – [Va. Code § 18.2-348]
Facilitating another person's engagement in prostitution.
2. Using Vehicles to Promote Prostitution – [Va. Code § 18.2-349]
Transporting or enabling sex trafficking through vehicle use.
3. Keeping or Residing in a Bawdy Place – [Va. Code § 18.2-347]
Frequenting or maintaining a location used for prostitution.
4. Promoting Travel for Prostitution – [Va. Code § 18.2-348.1]
Advertising or arranging travel for the purpose of sex work.

Firearm Offenses

1. Brandishing a Firearm – [Va. Code § 18.2-282]
Displaying a firearm in a threatening manner.
2. Reckless Handling of a Firearm – [Va. Code § 18.2-56.1]
Endangering others by mishandling a gun.
3. Possession of a Firearm Following a Misdemeanor Domestic Violence Conviction – [Va. Code § 18.2-308.1:8]
Prohibited possession for three years following conviction.
4. Carrying a Firearm into a Courthouse or Airport Terminal – [Va. Code § 18.2-283.1]
Unlawful possession of a firearm in restricted government areas.
5. Allowing Access to Firearms by Children – [Va. Code § 18.2-56.2]
Leaving loaded firearms unsecured around minors.

Gang-Related Offenses

1. Participation in a Criminal Street Gang (1st offense) – [Va. Code § 18.2-46.2]
2. Recruiting for Gang Activity (1st offense) – [Va. Code § 18.2-46.3]
3. Providing False ID to Law Enforcement – [Va. Code § 19.2-82.1]

Property Crimes

1. Petit Larceny – [Va. Code § 18.2-96]
Theft of goods or cash valued under \$1,000.
2. Destruction of Property (less than \$1,000, with intent) – [Va. Code § 18.2-137(B)]
Vandalism, graffiti, or minor damage.
3. Trespassing (Posted or Private Property) – [Va. Code § 18.2-119]
Unlawful entry onto restricted or private premises.

Ben Walters
Manassas, Virginia
July 14, 2025

Hello Jail Board,

My name is Ben Walters and I live in Old Town Manassas. I am planning to be there to speak on Wednesday and want to thank the Chair for opening up citizen time. I'll elaborate more at that time, but for now, I wanted to share some recent data I've obtained from ICE (via the Center for Immigration Studies) documenting each instance between October 2022 and February 2025 in which the Prince William County Adult Detention Center declined to honor an ICE detainer. A total of 174 individuals identified by ICE as deportable criminal aliens were released—many with records of violent offenses. We're talking about sexual assaults, domestic violence, gun violence, violence against children...there's even a homicide. According to the Center's analysis, the PWC ADC facility now ranks 24th in the nation for such releases. You can read the full report [here](#).

I would like to better understand the root of this problem. Is it a matter of policy? A breakdown in process? Is ICE failing to follow through after receiving notifications? Whatever the cause, this is not merely a bureaucratic issue—it's a public safety issue. As long as those responsible for the most serious violent crimes are allowed to walk free, vulnerable legal immigrant communities will continue to be exploited.

Thank you for your time and service.

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