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PUBLIC NOTICE

A MEETING OF THE CLARK COUNTY CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING:

Thursday, November 19, 2026

TIME: 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM

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Juvenile Probation: Judge Margaret Pickard, Chair
Parent Advocate: Ali Caliendo, Vice Chair
General Public: Angela Cook, Deputy Chair
CCSD: Christopher Merritt
Foster Youth: Dashun Jackson
Private Provider of Mental Health: Madyson Wier
Child Welfare: Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod
Child Welfare: Tammy Malich
General Public: Shelia Parks
Court Appointed Special Advocate: Vickie Wilson
Foster Parent: VACANT (1)

AGENDA

**Items on the agenda may be taken out of order. The Committee may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; and the committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. No action may be taken on any matter not listed on the posted agenda.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call.

II. Comments by General Public – This is a period devoted to comments by the general public about items on the agenda. No discussion, action, or votes may be taken on this agenda item. If you wish to speak to the Committee about items within its jurisdiction but not appear on this agenda, you must wait until the "Comments by the General Public" period listed at the end of this agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

III. Approval of September 17, 2026, Minutes (for possible action

IV. CAC Board Members Terms Expiring (information only)

V. Discussion of 2026 CAC priorities and if adjustments should be made (possible action):

1) Family of Origin
- Reporting on referrals to parents that go beyond the standard parenting class and substance abuse classes.
- Reporting on referrals at the beginning and end of the case.
- Thorough investigation of family/kinship placements at the beginning of the case, not at the time of termination and move to adoption.
- Reunification rates

2) Children
- Child Placements statistical reports
- Services and programs for teens and aging out youth
- High-needs youth-Mental health, dual diagnosis, overlap with JJS
- Mental Health and access to care-easier access to Medicaid prior authorizations and testing
- CCSD-School of origin reporting, monitoring higher expulsion rates, etc.

3) Sibling Placement Orders
- Extended Stays at Child Haven
- Placement Challenges
- New Licensing Requirement updates
- Respite Care

VI. Clark County Family Services Report Out (information only):

1) Notable department goals, changes, and programs
2) Child Haven population, and duration of stay
3) Intake/Placement:
- How many children were brought in, placed with family, placed in foster care, how many in child haven or other placements/group homes.

4) Intervention, Accountability, Policies and Procedures:
- Status of plans to potentially adopt federal "Kin First" approach to reducing barriers to/requirements for relative and Fictive Kin licensing.

5) Transitional Aged Youth Supports & Independent Living:
- Independent Living/Aging Out Program

VII. Identify Emerging Issues to be addressed at future meetings and receive updates on activities of the CAC members related to their duties as committee members (information only)

- Visitation process update
- Foster Parent Champion call trends and themes written report

VIII. Next Meeting date January 21, 2027, at 8:30am or to be set. (for possible action)

IX. Comments by General Public - This is a period devoted to comments by the general public about any topic within the jurisdiction of the committee, but not necessarily on the agenda. No discussion, action, or votes may be taken on this agenda item. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes

X. Adjournment