

Staff Issue Paper

Alternative Revision of Future Meeting & Hearing Dates

May 28, 2021

This paper pertains to the document entitled “Staff Issue Paper: Commission’s Response to Current Legislative Situation” (May 26, 2021). Among other things, that document contained a possible revision of future meeting and public hearing dates, which staff would recommend in the likely event that the Legislature were to enact the vast majority of its criminal-law changes this year after the Commission’s June 3, 2021, meeting.

One Commission member, unable to attend a meeting if rescheduled to July 15, asked if it would work to maintain the current July meeting schedule and meet on July 22. Because this requested schedule would also provide the required seven weeks between Commission meetings (between July 22 and September 9), it would also work. The following alternative schedule is therefore recommended for the Commission’s consideration.

DATE	COMMISSION	STAFF
Thursday, July 15	Cancel public hearing	
Thursday, July 22	Commission meeting (as scheduled)	Staff records Commission’s proposed Guidelines changes
Tuesday, July 27		Copy deadline for State register
Monday, August 2		Public hearing notice published
Wednesday, September 1*	Public hearing (new)	
Thursday, September 9	Commission meeting (as scheduled)	Staff records Commission’s adopted Guidelines changes
Wednesday, September 15		Staff publishes amended Sentencing Guidelines

* Staff suggests this date, rather than Thursday, September 2, to avoid meeting too near Labor Day weekend, which follows. If the Commission prefers, however, September 2 would serve as a suitable alternative to September 1. (September 1 is exactly 30 days the notice publication date, excluding the date of the notice and including the date of the hearing.)