

# SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE FUTURE EXPANSION OF THE JAIL CAMPUS AUGUST 27, 2007

Present: Undersheriff Mike Wilkerson, Bob Riggi, Barb Young, Judy Chartier, Cmdr. Chris Hoy, Lt. Jason Meyer, Cmdr. Troy Clausen

Handouts: Agenda, Subcommittee minutes from July 9, 2007, Steering Committee Charter, Steering Committee Minutes from July 19, 2007 (draft), Roster of Steering Committee and the Subcommittees, Statesman Journal news article, Barbara Young's Discussion on Paper, Seattle-Northwest Securities Corp. Financing Options dates August 6, 2007, Proposed floor plan of new facility.

Undersheriff Mike Wilkerson opened the meeting by going through the handouts, asking for questions. The last page of last meeting's minutes had things to think about for this meeting. Some committee members were in contact through email making suggestions.

The floor plan is a proposed idea with 3 floors at 30,000 square feet with the top floor unfinished for future expansion. The first floor would be used for Parole and Probation. The second floor would be for Enforcement and the downtown offices of the Sheriff, which would include records, civil, and administration. On today's market we can expect to pay anywhere from \$127 to \$200 a square foot for a completed office. Ideally there would be enough room to include Justice Court since their building has no security and they have also run out of room. District Court is located next to the Jail, and they have also run out of room. There would be classrooms and training facilities. Question: Is there anything that has been overlooked or missing?

Phase I: Recommendations are to maximize the Jail facility by bringing it up to the 600 beds, which there is space for. By doing this we would need to have the Commissioners agreement and direct the needed operating funds to the Jail. The Jail processes approximately 20,000 bookings per year in the last 2 years, and we were designed for 11,000. Adding G Pod could potentially cost \$11 million at this time. We have a small area for the "special needs" inmates and 16 beds for 24-hour watch. A determination/agreement needs to be made between the Jail and Mental Health Department for the treatment of these inmates. We currently spend \$7,000 per month on medications for them. If a larger medical facility were built we would be treating more patients/inmates. Who should be responsible?

The Work Center has the capacity for 200 beds. The Enforcement's Central District Office is located on the south side of the building. They would need to relocate so the Work Center could remodel and utilize the additional 4,000 square feet for expansion.

The Evidence Building is the building out behind the new animal shelter, and is being used for extra storage for the Jail. This is also inadequate for the required supplies used to run our "small city". Facilities maintenance is also housed in this building, and we need to have coverage from them on a 24/7 basis especially if we expand by 400 beds. We have 4 maintenance workers and will need 2 more.

The State has funded us for hiring new PO's but we have no place to put them. We have outgrown our modular buildings here on the Jail campus. Our Madison Street substation is at capacity and we are looking to relocate and possibly share the space with Enforcement's Central District Office. The treatment for drugs grant will be ending soon and we will have to pick up that expense as well.

By utilizing the space we have now we will be in a crisis situation for needed space within 5 years.

Phase II: We would need to build the other half of G Pod (128 beds) and H Pod (255 beds), which would maximize the facility at 1,000 beds.

The new facility built to house P & P, Enforcement Admin, and Justice Court on land adjacent to the animal shelter.

Phase III: 5 – 10 year time frame. Not feasible to address at this time.

Suggestions:

Judy – Open House for general public to see what is behind the scenes and how the needed money would be used.

There will be a video tour of each facility available to the public.

Meetings are publicized on the Web page.

Barb Young handed out a page with her ideas. They mirrored the Sheriff's master plan. Funds could be obtained from COP's – Certificate of Participation, from the County. These funds could be paid back by using money from the general budget, or PLOT funds - Pay in Lieu of Taxes, which is money received from yearly timber funds.

1. Maximize available Jail beds
2. Maximize Work Center beds
3. Construction of G Pod
4. Operational Costs

New Booking fees, Community Commitment to public safety – a 20-year Construction Bond, a 5-year Operation Levy, Other issues.

The handout from the Seattle-Northwest Securities Corp. was discussed and page 3, the study summary.

Summary: Get commitment from Commissioners to support maximum usage of facilities, explore usage of funds from general funds, funding with or without the Health Department, G Pod, Bond measures for construction and for operations, community involvement.

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