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CCJCC Jail Site Selection meeting minutes, November 6, 2014
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Present at meeting: Corey Johnson, Sheriff Lincoln, Margaret Kuhl, Todd Kinney, Terri Boussetot, Matt Willimack, Jerome Burken, John Eisenman, Chance Kness, Eric Dau, Jacob Couppee, Jerome Burken, Terri Boussetot, Dan Srp, Brian Schmidt, Craig Eberhart, Gayle Dolan and Brian McKenrick

Media partners present: Dave Vickers, KROS and Nick Joos, the Observer

- I. Jerome Burken motioned to approve the minutes. John Eisenman seconded...Carried
- II. Sample Site Evaluation form discussion: Todd K.– In preparation for last meeting. 15 criterion listed. Next step – how do you weight each criteria? Appendix A, for example – you could assign a weight...prorate each one. With equal points or could be assigned little more weight. OR, you could do a low, medium, high. A caveat to that is how to address cost in each area? Very difficult to come up with cost est. for 20 sites, but cost could be point reduction scale for cost assoc. with each criteria. Or you could have cost criteria....lots of options & details. Next step, have metric for how each criteria scores. Todd suggests we do a deal breaker criteria to weed out those that are not possibility. Matt W.: from that standpoint, should we set up deal breaker criteria first? Todd – intent use desktop matrix with all...it would pare it down & give you list of half dozen sites to visit in person. Sheriff asked Brian M. about what would judges think about ...
Brian M. – if we put a courtroom outside of courthouse civil at courthouse & civil off site ...Craig – might it need to be an all or nothing? If all criminal at jail & run back to courthouse to do noncustodial stuff (it impacts court staff too) would need to propose to Judges. Start right out of the gate to increase size of building. Matt W. - if we save in other costs – economics there – we will see. Todd: Initial costs will be different than operating/lifecycle costs. Sheriff – Judges are independent & they could still reject idea. Matt = Where would that leave us? Still have to come to Courthouse. Judges are appointed; with retention election is every two years. Dan Srp asked can we have communications at separate location. – Admin. Building?? Eric D. – We have explored idea. Building is not hardened. Tornado would wipe out...Sheriff likes idea of keeping elimination process simple. Todd likes quantitative things



- NUMBERS 0-10 scale...take number s& average. Now, come up with criteria. Weight criteria... 15 criteria? 10 pts. Possible = 150 points. Do we give equal points to each or not? Can tweak impact each criteria has...Brian M. we did this during the needs assessment process for RFP. Sheriff: are there things we could add? (for ex.: flood plain or ten mile ring?) Todd- create separate criterion for just anticipated costs... Let's get document made up. Appendix A *Location - NA
1. Site Size – a. meets minimum requirement oc. f 3.5 acres (0-3) (3.1-5) ex. From Todd...
 2. Site ownership A. Is it currently for sale? Does it have willing seller? If it is unknown, it should be scored lower c. Is it county owned or municipally owned?
Capability to satisfy correctional design criteria
 3. Compatibility with existing zone ordinances. Jacob C. – no issue from city perspective...currently doesn't express where a jail can go. Currently a residential zone. Craig & Todd – if it is agricultural ...does it need to be rezoned? Brian – taking ag land out of production is always issue. Ag1 would need rezoning Craig – leave#5 on there...
 4. Accessibility to county courts – only one bullet point imp. Craig – wants to point out to group...95% of inmates are Clinton inmates. The further away from Clinton, the more expense city will have to house inmates. 10 minutes or two miles, still an expense. Convenient to have jail in city of Clinton...counterintuitive to get too far from courthouse. Brian M. - financial costs + holding officer off the streets longer to transport inmates away...time not patrolling, protecting public, etc.
Todd: important # to weight distance to jail. Dan – should we include distance to courthouse in criteria? Criteria for (Matt likes numbers)...
 5. Accessibility to arteries – paved road or gravel road? Food deliveries – semis...visitors to jail? Eric – flipside – you increase impact to incident. Keep in criteria. Chance- we want good size but not huge – ex. Not next to Hwy 30.
 6. Direct accessibility to water & sewer lines. – yes, very important.
 7. Accessibility to medical facilities – ten minutes drive time to nearest hospital. Brian: need to be nearby for staff purposes too – correctional officers are in high risk profession.
 8. Capacity for future expansion & flexible building configurations. Todd: Is this one redundant? Corey – land size will impact scope of building. Sheriff: add on to number two?
 9. Minimal adverse environmental impact of developing site for new jail. Craig; generator kicks on & creates noise. We are so accustomed to



facility & noise...Todd & group agreed the subset of 11 needs to be own section....group

- Omit line for wetlands item...

10. Positive soil, drainage and terrain conditions. Todd would like to see from Architect ...site could have irregular boundaries. What we would look for then is how would that building footprint fit on this parcel & does one site lend itself more to be buildable? Leave #12 as is.

--- Normal site development costs - don't worry about this one...

11. Minimal special development issues – leave as is. Demolition will be required of present law center building...

12. Capability to develop high energy efficiency conditions. SH said about Terri: are there financial impacts to become LEED cert.? rebates & credits will be something to explore with energy efficiencies...

13. Consider ten mile emergency evacuation ring of Exelon?

*The Emergency Protection Zone (EPZ) is this a separate weighted consideration? Corey – Is there a setback requirement from the sidewalk (in city)? Suggestions have been to have weighting (1-10) or scale of 1-3 plus cost so at end...Todd – need weight so we don't have all subjective. Corey – maybe each one needs ten points each. John E. – would like viewpoint of most important issues from Law Enforcement perspective. Craig – two most imp. Points are proximity to hospital & courts... We need input from group & citizens to narrow ...John thought: what we have done so far is great starting point & set these aside. Would be helpful to know what law enforcement has – bring five & maybe bring in five more...then buff up grading to whittle down to final four. Likes 1, 2, 3 scale then.

III. A. Impact statement would help (Todd K.): shorten up media release to request jail site ideas... Margaret & Sheriff will revise & release next day.

Reviewed possible sites –

Jerome said it will be interesting to see what ideas/suggestions for sites that people will suggest.

IV. Strategic goals –

Input from the group... 90 days to site selected.

Hopes were next time we have public input & to rank selections...

Check conf. room D or board room at Admin. Building (on the 20th) ...Corey will reserve. Meet next on Nov. 20th at 6:00 at County Admin. December 4th meeting will be in DeWitt.

V. Brian M. moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.