



Dec. 11, 2008 – NEC Municipal Jail Public Forum Caucus Discussion Questions

What are the top five factors the NEC should consider in siting the Municipal Jail?

- Cost of transporting prisoners from court in downtown Seattle (and logistics)
- Disruption and impact on neighborhood/site
- Safety for residents
- Compatibility with surrounding environment – Shoreline site is residential (more so than the other sites)
- Proximity to KC courthouse (downtown)
- Proximity to residential communities
- Proximity to schools
- Proximity to open space, parks, streams, wetlands
- Keep away from operating school facilities
- Don't locate in a residential area – impact on local community
- Easy access and traffic mitigation and sufficient parking and public transportation
- Cost of ongoing operations – TCO
- National justice
- Location in proximity to residential neighborhoods (avoid)
- Transportation access
- Proximity to main regional court system
- Low impact to surrounding community and environment
- Economic impact to residential property values and tax revenues for proposed Aldercrest Annex site
- Initial funding and ongoing funding?
- The residential surroundings
- Impact on community
- Kids community impact
- Property values
- Transportation
- Residential community is not an option
- Place this facility in an already existing industrial location
- I can't see options that effect homeowners – the value of their homes is directly involved
- Safety, traffic impact to a community
- Change of the property values to businesses
- Not next to residential parks schools

What is your biggest concern about a jail at this site?

- Safety – specifically increase in activity, traffic, visitors, delivery vehicles, etc.
- Noise, HVAC systems
- Getting in a bind and bringing out felons to stay because there is acute overcrowding at KCJ and KRJC
- Not an appropriate location – currently zoned residential when all the other sites are zoned commercial/industrial. It degrades the neighborhood integrity.
- The financial impact on the Shoreline School District; Shoreline tax payers are already subsidizing the state’s under-funded education costs for the Fircrest facility; it is unreasonable to take more local tax dollars from our schools to subsidize the prison
- Children’s future – integrity of neighborhood
- Location in a residential neighborhood with single-family and multi-family residences, two churches within one block and a family park; impact on residential property values in surrounding community
- Impact on residential
- Community impact – especially family and children; there are so many schools and families in very close proximity
- Residential neighborhood; children/families play in the neighborhood; rise in crime in and around the site
- Safety to residents; property values

Given that the jail has to go somewhere, what are the top things the NEC could do to address your concerns?

- All traffic to jail go out 25th NE side to HWY 104 or NE 205th
- NO FELONS
- Sidewalks, street lights
- Place the facility in an appropriate location that is zoned for industrial
- Take Shoreline facility off the list
- Either site downtown or rural area (not residential) or commercial/industrial
- Guarantee full funding of all educational expenses, Shoreline taxpayers already subsidize Fircrest
- Don’t release prisoners to local neighborhood – especially when children are present
- Locate close to where majority of prisoners come from
- Remove the Aldercrest Annex site from consideration
- Address financial impact to residential property values as a part of impact statement
- Locate proposal facility in downtown Seattle close to court and jail facilities
- Consider less residential areas
- Keep it away from kids
- Environmental – “impact to animals” and natural easement
- Environmental impact to businesses
- No residents within a 40 mile radius
- Locate out of residential community