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For now King County says that the jail is for misdemeanor offenses (except I don't understand how domestic violence falls into this category????) but too many times I have seen that intention changes for some reason down the road, and who would stop that, especially when the politicians change? Also, how many felony convictions get knocked down to a misdemeanor already, because it is a "first offense" or because of other reasons?

As a tenant I have the choice to either stay or leave this neighborhood, which I will if a jail goes up. But this is not fair to our landlord, who would probably have difficulty finding anybody else to want to live 150 feet from a jail. He would either constantly have empty spaces, or have to lower his rent considerably. That is proof that property values would come down. I know of a neighborhood in a Portland suburb where property values went down because of a 3story church built amidst several citizens' backyards that is a downright lie that a jail wouldn't impact property values.

It makes more sense for the jail to go downtown across from the other one.