

Comments received via <http://www.seattle.gov/municipaljail/questions.htm> for
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It was a shock to just discover that a beautiful home recently purchased by our family, in an excellent residential section of Lake Forest Park bordering on Shoreline, is extremely close to a parcel that is being considered for a very large county jail. It is incomprehensible to us that the NEC group would even consider placing such a facility in a neighborhood that is 95% residential and almost fully built up. What's more, our young children waiting for their school buses just yards from this institution or playing with friends outside after school, will likely be exposed to heavy police traffic, barbed wire fences, high intensity lighting, a heavy influx of people and services probably numbering in the thousands. A jail can never be a good neighbor no matter how it is designed. Most troubling is the loss of our treasured green space, the loss of our feeling of safety and the overall diminution in the quality of life. A large county jail in our midst can only result in the inevitable destruction of this fine residential neighborhood. **THIS MUST NOT HAPPEN.** We urge you to choose from the remaining five more suitable sites. My question is, **WHAT CRITERIA COULD POSSIBLY HAVE LED YOU TO THIS CHOICE CONSIDERING THE IRREPARABLE DAMAGE AND DESTRUCTION IT WILL DO TO THE GOOD, HARD WORKING PEOPLE OF THIS COMMUNITY?**

Sincerely, Mr. & Mrs. Bohrer