



MEETING MINUTES	
Location	Skype/Teleconference
Attendees	Mark Kucza, DOC Senior Administrator Mike Schindler, Contract DOC Facilitator Nanette Graham, DOC Capital Planning & Development Director Brandy Jacobs, DOC Executive Secretary Whitney Hays, DOC Project Manager Tony Lindgren, KMB Architects Gar Rodside, DOC Facilities Senior Planner Brian Little, KMB Architects Jeremy Barclay, DOC Director – Engagement & Outreach Nancy Eklund Stephanie Guy Rich Sierzinger Joe Garcia Kyle Moore Kim Dewing Denise Lathrop Erin Satterley Ana Perera Carl Cole Doug Levy Evan Maxim Gregory Adams Gwen Voelpel Clyde Hill James (no last name provided) Jean Hernandez Karl Jones Dave Kaplan Mary (no last name provided) Chad Mulligan Pam Fernald Peter Kwon Phillip Baskeron Sam Betz Senayet Negusse Franklyn Smith Stan Tombs Jon Thompson Moreen (no last name provided) Several Additional people joined during this meeting via phone that may not be identified

IINTRODUCTIONS & OPENING	
<i>Mike Schindler</i>	
<i>Slides</i>	<i>Welcome</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	Mike Schindler opened the meeting and welcomed back past and new participants. Introductions were made.
PROJECT OBJECTIVE & SITING CONSIDERATIONS	
<i>Mike Schindler</i>	
<i>Slides</i>	<i>Work Release Expansion</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	Mike provided an overview of the project objective and considerations developed by the LAC team to review potential sites.
<i>Questions/Concerns</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were questions concerning the siting consideration related to “proximity to schools.” This means both the value of residents being close to community college and other higher education opportunities as well as concerns related to facility perhaps being too close to an elementary school. • There was some discussion concerning prison releases. Those released from prison who have supervision are required to submit a proposed release address which is then investigated and must be approved by DOC.
DATA REQUESTS	
<i>Mark Kucza</i>	
<i>Slides</i>	<i>Prison releases to addresses in King County, patterns of density, violation returns & most frequent infraction behaviors driving returns (Reynolds Work/Training Release), and, violation returns & most frequent infraction behaviors driving returns (Progress House Work/Training Release).</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	Mark provided an overview and explanation of the included slides.
<i>Questions/Concerns</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How were the siting considerations used to consider SeaTac? The location currently under review in SeaTac was identified and suggested last May or June, prior to the “pause” imposed on the expansion project. The data suggest that there are a large number of releases from prison to south King County, as indicated in the slide presentation, and therefore south King County is an unserved location when it comes to work release as a transition opportunity for eligible participants. The SeaTac location was seen as a possibility for the LAC to consider. The process of weighing the site against the siting considerations has not really taken place yet. • Why hasn’t DOC complied with their own stated intent to go “over-and-above” the statutory requirements to reach out to SeaTac stakeholders? The search for potential expansion sites is not complete in King County and no recommendations have yet been made to the DOC Secretary concerning any potential site. While several other locations have been reviewed and eliminated from consideration based upon zoning or code restrictions, the effort to identify other possible sites continues. Since the SeaTac location has not yet been formally received preliminary consideration by the LAC, embarking on a robust public information campaign at this point will add to the perception that DOC has already identified this location as an expansion site; which is not the case.

- **Why is SeaTac the only option?** As indicated, SeaTac is not the only option. The search for viable options for a work release facility in south King County continues.
- **Why was the program reengaged 10 weeks ago, and SeaTac officials are just now hearing about this?** The SeaTac City Manager was informed on June 1st, 2020, via e-mail of the fact that DOC had been made aware of a location in the city as a possibly viable work release facility site. The City Manager responded on June 2nd that he appreciated the “reach out” and that he would “circle back on this after the current cycle of civil unrest dies down.” Shortly thereafter, the expansion project was paused due to budgetary uncertainty as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. There was no further follow-up by the City Manager.
- **Why has there been no community outreach regarding this site?** The robust outreach associated with siting a facility is a step undertaken once a site has reached “preliminary approval” by the LAC and DOC Secretary. Neither of these has taken place. Robust communication at this time about this site would be miscommunicating DOCs intent concerning this possible site, creating false expectations and would be premature.
- **Many concerns that there has been no contact with the SeaTac Mayor or City of SeaTac Council.**
- **Data request for all work release facilities. Why is there only data for two of the 12 facilities?** The data provided for Reynolds Work release in Seattle and Progress House Work Release in Tacoma were provided as examples from 2 major cities where DOC operates Work releases and prepared in response to questions raised at previous meetings. We will provide the violation prison returns information for all 12 work release facilities at the next LAC meeting.
- **Is there a comparison between individuals who were released directly from prison and those that went through the work release program, that ended up homeless?** We will endeavor to identify this data.
- **Regarding siting considerations, there does not seem to be equitable distribution of essential sites geographically. There is not any of these types of sites in East King County.** The release data shared during the meeting indicate that south King County receives a much higher proportion of prison releases than does east King County. State law requires that persons being released from prison be returned to their “county of origin”; generally, people tend to want to return to their families and communities from which they had been separated by a period of prison incarceration. While there are 3 DOC Work Releases in Seattle, which similarly experiences a large number of prison releases to the community, there are none in south King County.
- **Which of the work release sites have the highest/lowest issues – and is there a discernable contributed reason?** The violation returns data will be shared and discussed during the April LAC meeting.
- **Is there a Step 1, Step 2, Step 3 rapid catch-up recommendation from DOC on how folks can get up to speed with this process?** There is a lot of information concerning the process posted on the public facing DOC website (see below). Additional “rapid catch-up” information will be shared during the April LAC meeting.
- **Recommendation to suggest providing state press release to city officials.**
- **Mayor Sitterley made a comment in the chat box that cities need to be communicated with not just state representatives.**

COUNTY ZONING DATA & SITE-SPECIFIC PROGRESS

Tony Lindgren

Slides

Work Release Expansion Project – Siting Work in Progress

<i>Discussion</i>	Tony presented a map of King County that included the cities within the County. He explained the process that each city is responsible for regarding development and interpretation of land use plans and controls. The only remaining option is SeaTac location on International Blvd as the Renton site has been sold.
LAC COMMUNICATION PLAN	
<i>Mark Kucza</i>	
<i>Slides</i>	<i>Work Release Expansion Project</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	Mark presented the communications plan that the LAC developed prior to pause.
GENERAL DISCUSSION, NEXT STEPS & TASKS FOR FOLLOW UP	
<i>Mike Schindler</i>	
<i>Slides</i>	<i>Questions/Wrap Up</i>
<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Action Items:</p> <p>Please email your contact information to the email listed below, we will be sure to include you in future meetings and communications</p> <p>Please visit the site listed to see the past work that has been done to familiarize yourself with the process.</p> <p><i>Work Release Expansion Website</i> https://doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm</p> <p><i>King County Expansion email inbox:</i> docwexpandkc@doc1.wa.gov</p> <p><i>Next meeting:</i> Tuesday, April 20, 2021 5:30 – 7:30 pm, via Teams (virtual)</p>