

### Work Release Expansion Project



King County
July 2021







### Agenda

#### **Meeting Objectives:**

- ✓ Introductions and Review Contacts
- ✓ Review AHJs Outreach Follow Up
- ✓ Review New Sites Identified and Evaluated
- ✓ Review Site Specific Progress and Next Steps
- Questions and Closing

Time	Topic	Lead
5:30 - 5:40	Introductions & Review Contacts	Mike Schindler, Facilitator
5:40 – 5:45	Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) Outreach Follow Up	Tony Lindgren, KMB Architects Consultant
5:45 – 5:55	New Sites Identified and Evaluated	Gar Rodside, DOC Facilities Senior Planner
5:55 – 6:05	Site Specific Progress and Next Steps	Tony Lindgren Brian Little, KMB Architects Consultant Gar Rodside Mark Kucza, Reentry Division Senior Administrator, Project Lead
6:05 – 6:30	Questions & Closing	Mike Schindler



# Introductions and Review Contacts LAC Member Contact Information

Last Name	First Name	Representation	Email	Phone
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Bradford	Gerald	Student Success Specialist / DOC, Outreach & Entry Services	gbradford@rtc.edu	206-235-2352 ext. 5733 206-396-8584 (c)
Cashman	Gary	Individual / community leader	gary.cashman@gmail.com	253-888-5464
Hernandez	Jean	Retired - Edmonds Community College	jeanh96@gmail.com	206-228-8431
Koroma	James		james02jrk@yahoo.com	
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Thompson	Jon	Commander, Kent Police Department	jjthompson@kentwa.gov	253-856-5829



## Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) Outreach Notification requesting assistance



- Reminder notifications to every AHJ in King County sent last week of June.
  - Provides Work Release Program detail.
  - Informs of the process.
  - Request for assistance to identify allowable zones and likely land-use requirements to site a new facility.

May 10, 2021

#### SUBJECT: Department of Corrections State Work Release Bed Expansion

The Department of Corrections (DOC) is expanding its Work Release program. King County is an area that DOC has identified as underserved or unserved for work release beds available for incarcerated persons to transition to the community and is being considered for work release bed expansion.

Washington's work release institutions serve as a bridge between life in prison and life in the community for Washington immates nearing the end of their sentence. In short, work release facilities are separate and apart from Washington state prisons. They exist to provide participating immates the opportunity to engage in paid employment or vocational training programs in the community while remaining under DOC supervision at an appropriate facility when not at their job or other pre-approved activity. Incarcerated individuals who complete the work release program are more likely to be successful in maintaining employment, stable housing, and in paying legal financial obligations. Recent research conducted by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy indicates that work release programs have a positive cost/benefit impact; for every dollar spent, \$3.82 is returned to the state.

In 2019, DOC formally initiated a public Work Release (WR) facility site selection process in King, Pierce, Snohomish, and North Central Counties. As required under WAC 137-57, the site selection process began with the formation of a search committee, establishment of a Local Advisory Committee (LAC) within each of the counties, and ongoing efforts to identify suitable sites. A public web site containing general information and records of the LAC public presentations and minutes are available online at <a href="https://www.doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm">https://www.doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm</a>.

A DOC WR facility is defined as a "State correctional institution" per the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 72.65.010(3). Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 137-56-010 (8) defines a "Work/training release facility" as "an establishment approved for housing and monitoring of work/training release residents during the resident's stay in a work/training release program." State correctional facilities are identified as essential public facilities under WAC 365-196-550 (1)(d)(vi).

At this time, no specific site within King County has been selected for a new WR facility. DOC is reaching out and seeking assistance from your department to identify allowable zones and likely land-use requirements for siting a WR facility within your City. This information would allow us to focus our search for suitable sites.

Thank you for your help and assistance with this important initiative. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact us at our program email: <a href="mailto:docwrexpandkc@doc1.wa.gov">docwrexpandkc@doc1.wa.gov</a>.



### New Sites Identified and Evaluated New Site Locations and Evaluations

#### 150 South Horton, Seattle

Not permitted due to zoning (IG1 U/85).

#### 2327 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Seattle

Not permitted due to zoning (DMR/R 95/65).

#### 306 24th Ave S, Seattle

Zoning NC3-75 (M) - (Council Conditional Use - CCU) Property has investment group *may* not want to sell. Significant work required. Not pursuing.

#### **6250 Stanley Ave S, Seattle**

Zoning C2-55 (M) - (Council Conditional Use - CCU) Current lease runs through 2023; poor parking. Not pursuing.

#### 9625 16th Ave SW, King County

Zoning CBSO - (Special Use Permit) No parking; significant work required. Not pursuing.



### New Sites Identified and Evaluated New Site Locations and Evaluations

#### 8600 Aurora Ave N, Seattle

Zoning NC3 - (Council Conditional Use - CCU) Significant work required; lack of investor interest. Not pursuing.

#### 12035 Aurora Ave N, Seattle

Zoning C1-75 (M) - (Council Conditional Use - CCU)
Potential good location. Contacted AHJ to confirm preliminary findings.



### Site Specific Progress and Next Steps SeaTac — 18845 International Blvd.

- City of SeaTac- Community and Economic Development Department
  - Next step is to prepare and submit a pre-application conference meeting application to walk through the project and proposed changes to the site/building.
  - Selection committee is holding on next step to further evaluate additional properties.

Tony Lindgren, KMB Consultant
Brian Little, KMB Consultant
Gar Rodside, DOC Facilities Senior Planner
Mark Kucza, DOC Reentry Division Senior Administrator, Project Lead



### Questions

- Open discussion
- Next Steps
- Action Items



### Closing

- Local Advisory Committee materials
  - On DOC website: <a href="https://doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm">https://doc.wa.gov/about/business/capital-planning/capacity-work-release.htm</a>
  - Materials available within 2 weeks
- Email questions
  - King County
  - docwrexpandkc@doc1.wa.gov
- Next Meeting
  - Tuesday, August 17, 2021 (recurring 3rd Tuesday of each month)



# Thank you!

