# Official Proceedings Codington County Justice Advisory Committee Courthouse First Level Courtroom Watertown, SD 57201 June 25, 2024

The Codington County Justice Advisory Committee (CCJAC) met on June 25th, 2024, at the Codington County Courthouse in the first level courtroom. Attending were committee members Lee Gabel, Al Koistinen, Jeanne Horning, Troy VanDusen, Brad Howell, Francis Strohfus, Stacy Hendricks and non-voting members Rebecca Morlock-Reeves, Kari Johnston and Matt Blackwelder. Judge Carmen Means was also present. Assisting in discussion were Dick Strassburg from TEGRA, Matthew Guarnery, from HDR architects, Andrew Eitreim, from Architecture Inc. and Craig Beebe from Beckenhauer Construction. Absent was non-voting member Judge Robert Spears. Lee Gabel took minutes. Meeting called to order by Chairman Lee Gabel at about 5:30 p.m.

**Agenda Approved** - Motion to approve the meeting agenda was made by Koistinen. Motion seconded by Howell, all in favor, agenda approved.

*Minutes Approved -* Motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2024 meeting was made by Van Dusen. Motion seconded by Horning, all in favor. Minutes approved.

**Review of Jail Consultant Report.** Gabel summarized jail consultant, Bill Garnos' report projecting Codington County's jail population (see attached slide). The report projects an average daily population of 90 inmates in 2043. Applying peaking and classification factors, the recommended bed-count is 113.

#### Review of Design Options and Cost Estimate.

- *Option Criteria:* Gabel reviewed option criteria approved by the county commissioners in 2016. While the criteria are still valid, he noted that criteria applicable to court facilities weren't applicable for the current jail discussion. See attached slides.
- **Space program (space needs):** Working with the Sheriff and Chief Corrections Officer, the architect identified the needed rooms and square footages and documented these in a space program document. The space program is posted on the county website. See attached slides for overall square footages for various options.
- Basic building options: The CCJAC reviewed several options, to include estimated costs and sites, based (see attached slides) on a jail with 108 beds. A site on US Highway 212 on the edge of Watertown appears to be the most cost-effective for construction and compares well to other sites based on the criteria noted above. See attached slides for sites reviewed.

Discussion and possible action to recommend a pre-design concept and ballot language: The CCJAC further discussed the various risks associated with the above options and that the County had over \$8.6M in saved fund which could be used to help fund jail construction and reduce the bond amount needed (see attached slides). Strohfus motioned to recommend the ballot language below to fund construction of a 108-bed jail, with shelled space for an additional 20 beds (if needed) and shelled space for a future sheriff's office using a 20-year bond, not to exceed \$29,650,000.

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PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, RENOVATING AND EQUIPPING A DETENTION CENTER AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHALL THE ABOVE PROPOSITION BE APPROVED AND THE BONDS ISSUED?"

Strohfus' motion was seconded by Howell. 6 in favor, one abstained. Motion carried.

*Updates:* Dick Strassburg noted that the pre-design project is progressing according to the project schedule (see attached slide).

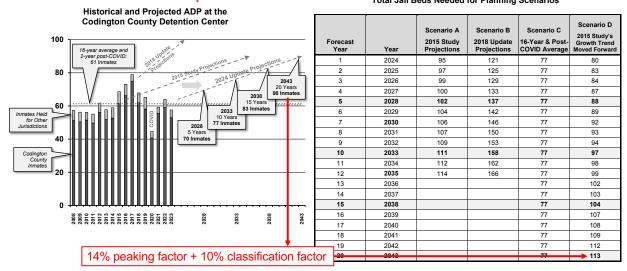
**Adjournment.** There being no other business, VanDusen made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Howell, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:05 pm.

Secretary (Gabel) CCJAC	Date Approved



### Jail Consultant Report

#### **Total Jail Beds Needed for Planning Scenarios**



# Review of Design Options & Cost estimates: **Criteria** (approved in 2016)

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1	Minimum Size, Required Type of Space & features	Court Space: Minimums based on 20-year projections	NCSC Report pages 26-35	<b>S</b>
		Jail Space: Minimums based on 20-year projections	Garnos' Report pages 99-101	Ë
4	Expandability Strategy	Does the option provide a way to expand the facility should the required capacity eventually exceed the space minimums (see Criteria 1)?	-NCSC Report pages 18, 21-24 (Goals 3,6)	Must do
			Garnos' Report pages 99-101	
8	Historical Preservation	Must preserve North façade, rotunda	Historical Society, NRHP	
7	Operational Cost	How much will it cost to operate (sheriff, jail, maintenance, utilities)?	Architect	
2	Efficiency of Design	How well does the facility design enable effective and safe operation of court/jail/other affected offices and user-friendly access?	NCSC Report pages 18-25 (Goals 2,4,5,6) Garnos' Report pages 70-104	1
5	Future Expandability	How difficult will it be for future generations to expand?	-NCSC Report pages 18, 21-24 (Goals 3,6)	
			Garnos' Report pages 99-101	
6	Project Cost	How much will it cost to renovate/add/build and furnish?	Architect	
3	Mid-term Adaptabilty	How readily would the structure accomodate sooner-than- expected workload growth, policy & technology changes?	NCSC Report pages 12, 21-22, 24- 25, footnotes on 28-30	2
		This may be additional space and/or modifiable features	Garnos' Report pages 99-101	
9	Aesthetic	Appropriate appearance (& rehabilitative approach for options involving current courthouse)	NCSC Report pages 17-18 (Goal 1), Historical Preservation Report	_
10	Location	How well does the option address the desire to maintain current courthouse-related (county administration and judicial) activity in Watertown's business district?		3



#### Since then:

- Court needs met
- Addressed some location concerns
- Updated references

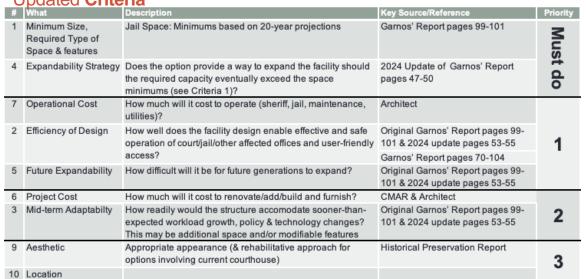


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Updated Criteria

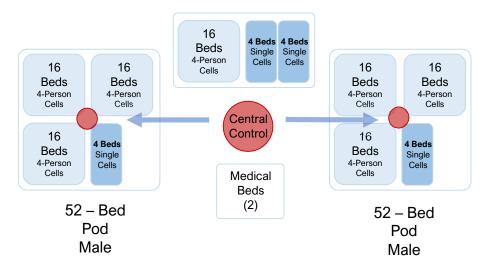






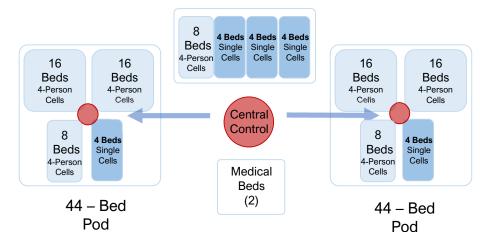
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24 – Bed Female/Juvenile



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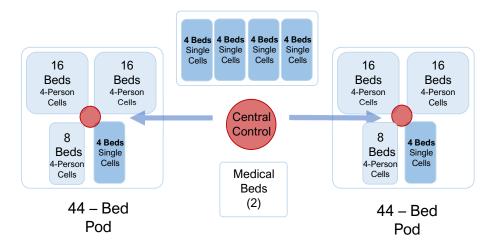
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# Review of Design Options & Cost estimates: 104 Bed Option 16 – Bed

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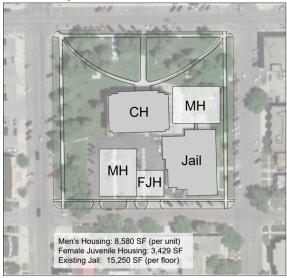


# Sites options





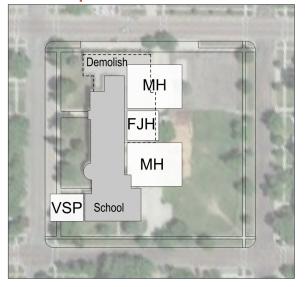
# Sites options: Courthouse Block



Pro	Con
Use some     existing structure     Next to     courthouse     Own land	<ul> <li>No expandability</li> <li>Greater operational cost</li> <li>Slightly higher cost to move systems</li> </ul>



# Sites options: School Block



Pro	Con
Use some     existing structure     Close to     courthouse     Expandable     Could repurpose     current jail	Likely partial demolition     Residential Area     Cost of land significant



# Sites options: Hwy 212 Site



		Pro		Con	
A	•	Most Expandable Own land Could repurpose current jail	•	Further from courthouse	



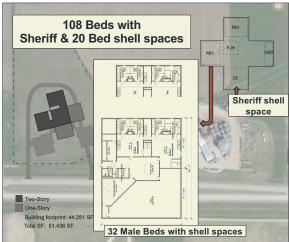
# Option costs

	Hwy 212 (Greenfield) Site Options for 108-Bed Jail											
		Base option Option 1: LEC Shell Space			Option 2: 20 Bed Shell Space			Option 3:LEC & 20 Bed Shell Space				
	Gross SF	Cost per/SF	Total Cost	Gross SF	Cost per/SF	Total Cost	Gross SF	Cost per/SF	Total Cost	Gross SF	Cost per/SF	Total Cost
High Security Jail	35897	\$ 740.70	\$26,588,783	35897	\$ 740.70	\$26,588,783	35897	\$ 740.70	\$26,588,783	35897	\$ 740.70	\$26,588,783
Law Enforcement Center	12059	\$ 512.77	\$6,183,493	12059	\$ 222.40	\$2,681,810	12059	\$ 512.77	\$6,183,493	12059	\$ 222.40	\$2,681,810
Sitework/Utilities		\$ 28.49	\$1,366,133		\$ 28.49	\$1,366,133		\$ 28.49	\$1,465,412		\$ 28.49	\$1,465,412
FF&E Costs		\$ 15.64	\$750,000		\$ 10.43	\$500,000		\$ 14.58	\$750,000		\$ 9.72	\$500,000
Soft Costs		\$ 116.52	\$5,587,602		\$ 106.63	\$5,113,513		\$ 110.87	\$5,702,696		\$ 101.65	\$5,228,531
20 Bed Shell Space							3480	\$ 222.40	\$773,834	3480	\$ 222.40	\$773,834
Total Gross SF	47956			47956			51436			51436		
Total Estimated Cost			\$40,476,012			\$36,250,239			\$41,464,218			\$37,238,370

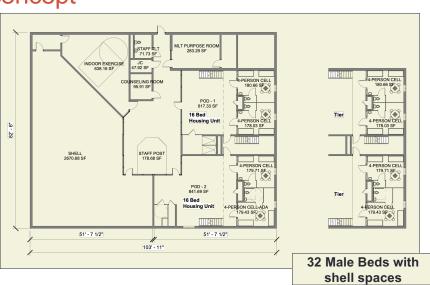


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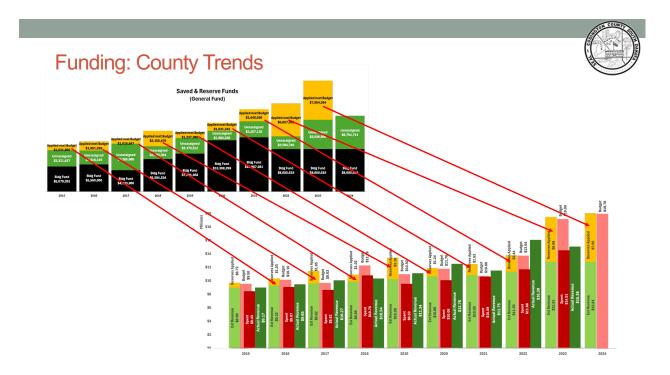


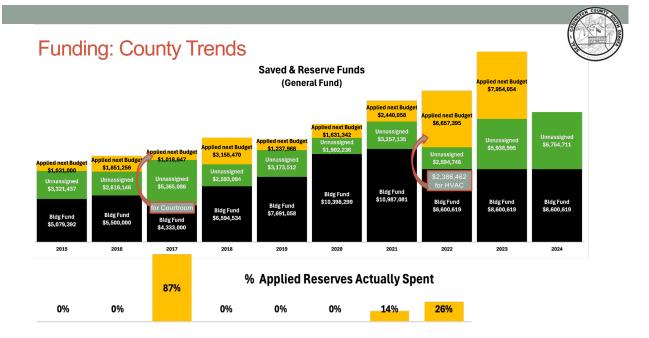




### Master Plan







### **Funding**



### Option 2

- Cost: \$41,464,218

• Saved funds: \$8,600,619

• Minimum Bond: \$32,863,599

### Option 3

- Cost: \$37,238,370

- Saved funds: \$8,600,619

• Minimum Bond: \$28,637,751

#### Risk & Opportunities



#### Risks

· Risk: County Budget increase requires more reserve

Mitigation: Reduce scope (20-bed shell space)

· Risk: Project over budget

Mitigation: Reduce scope (20-bed shell space)

· Risk: 108 not enough

· Mitigation: 4-bed cells, 20 bed shell space, Incarceration alternatives

#### Opportunities

· Opportunity: Project underbudget

· Action: Finish Sheriff space, Finish Shell Space

#### **Ballot Language**



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# Way Ahead



**Codington County Jail** 

Pre- Referendum Planning Schedule - DRAFT

January 16, 2024



