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RE: Skagit County Jail, Progress Update Memo

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Land Use Approval / Permitting: On Tuesday, April 22 at 7 p.m. the Mount Vernon City Council considered all previously submitted materials, previous public testimony and the recommendation of the Planning Commission to rezone the Truck City Site. They also took additional public comment from those who wanted to speak. After a presentation from the county and a dozen or so public speakers, the council voted unanimously to approve the rezone of the Truck City / Suzanne Lane site. Next step in the permitting process will be the Essential Public Facilities process. This application will likely be submitted in mid-June. Another public hearing will be held and a Hearing Examiner recommendation is expected to go to the Mount Vernon City Council in late July or early August.

Space Planning: The programing phase is complete and project architects have started the Schematic Design (SD) Phase. During the programing phase a room by room listing of all spaces required in the building was developed, along with associated square footages. The focus in the space design phase will be on relationship and adjacencies of the spaces and circulation within the building. The design team will also start to look at building massing and textures to help define the appearance of the building in elevation. Below is an initial site plan developed during the programing phase to start to understand adjacencies and site circulation.

