

NEW COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING SITE EVALUATONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Executive Summary

n December 9, 2003, the Metropolitan King County Council acknowledged the technical foundation and real estate research conducted under the auspices of the Facilities Management Division (FMD), and adopted Ordinance 14812, appropriating \$1.2 million to the next phase of the New County Office Building Project. The New County Office Building proposal involves construction of a new King County office building on county-owned land to accommodate 261,000 square feet of office space. The proposal results in substantial long term savings by converting office space leased in privately-owned buildings to county-owned space.

When the council approved Ordinance 14812, there were several provisos included in the ordinance requiring further analysis and reports in Phase II of the plan. Among those provisos was a requirement that the executive propose, and council approve, the site for the new building. In accordance with the Project Plan submitted to council on January 30, 2004, there are three sites under consideration:

- **Goat Hill Site:** between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and east of 5th Avenue (south of the King County Correctional Facility).
- **King County Automotive Center Site:** existing Parking Garage between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and west of 5th Avenue.
- North Kingdome Parking Lot Site: north of Seahawks Stadium.

These sites were evaluated based on cost, schedule impacts, ability to meet program and operational needs, business continuity, ability to meet other King County objectives, designability/constructability, and other ancillary benefits or negative impacts.

Executive Recommendation

In response to proviso described above, executive staff analyzed the three King County-owned sites. It is apparent from the analysis that the King

¹ For further details, please see report titled *An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs* transmitted to council on September 15, 2003.

County Automotive Center is the optimum site for the New County Office Building.

The Automotive Center is close to the current campus, physically connected to the Administration and Courthouse via tunnels, and the least problematic site in terms of soil conditions and development requirements. Developing the Automotive Center site as proposed also includes improvements on the Goat Hill site. Additional parking will be provided with the construction of a new structured parking facility, along with configuring the Goat Hill site for potential future development (such as future correctional facility or jail health expansion). The added parking will meet the needs identified in the pro-forma, as well as replacing all existing parking.

From an economic perspective, the Automotive Center site is the superior option. The added property value and savings that result from replacing an aging, outdated, and inefficient parking structure far outweigh the added construction costs associated with a two building project.

Recommendation

Based on the programmatic, economic, and development advantages, the executive recommends selection of the Automotive Center site for the construction of the New County Office Building.

Background

This report is part of a long-term plan to construct a new county office building. The New County Office Building plan is divided into four phases:

- Phase I (complete): Evaluation of Options for Reducing Office Space Costs. This phase was completed with submittal of a report to the council titled *An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs*.
- Phase II (underway): Site Selection and Predevelopment.
 Activities will include evaluation of site alternatives, site selection, preliminary conceptual design work for the new building, and permitting. This report fulfills the Phase II site selection requirement in Ordinance 14812.
- **Phase III: Final Design and Construction.** Activities will include finalizing the design, permitting, and construction.
- **Phase IV: Space Allocation and Occupancy.** Final decisions regarding occupancy of the new building, space allocations, and startup of business operations will occur in this phase.

The \$1.2 million appropriated via Ordinance 14812 allowed the FMD to proceed with the Phase II of the New County Office Building initiative. The new building will result in significant future cost savings, improved operational efficiency, and better public service.

Review of Phase I

The preliminary feasibility phase of this project commenced in the fall of 2002 with an initial funding of \$475,000 to explore options to either purchase an existing building or build a new office building for King County and make recommendations on how the county should proceed. The work also included a Phase II analysis of the Central Steam Plant Feasibility Study. The evaluation process consisted of a series of four separate exploration tracks:

Track A. Development of King County Owned Land: This track
explored options for development on King County-owned land
primarily through a Request for Qualifications / Request for Proposal
process to solicit developers to plan, design and construct a leaseleaseback for a new office building.

After a thorough procurement process, the development firm, Wright Runstad & Company (Wright Runstad), was selected as the developer.

 Track B. Building Development or Acquisition on Non-County-Owned Land: This track explored options for development on noncounty-owned land and utilized a Request for Proposal process and included acquisition options for both land as well as existing buildings.

A procurement process was followed to evaluate proposals from commercial real estate developers that own and/or control appropriately located property to plan, develop, design and construct a build-to-suit, lease to-own development project. No acceptable proposals were received.

With regard to building acquisition opportunities, a wide net process of selection and narrowing was undertaken in November 2002 that resulted in the identification of a total of 266 buildings and sites as opportunities of interest. The list was narrowed to five final candidates through an iterative process. The five final candidates were subjected to further evaluation that included code, seismic, architectural, mechanical, electrical engineering, cost, and qualitative evaluation necessary to bring the buildings up to an assumed standard. This evaluation was completed in September 2003 with the conclusion that, all things considered, the building acquisition opportunities were not a better deal for the county than building construction options.

• **Track C. Fast Track:** This track explored time sensitive opportunities that might emerge during the exploration process that required an immediate response.

The Fast Track option was used to assess the feasibility and attractiveness of co-developing with the City of Seattle on the Third Avenue & James Street site (Public Safety Building). Following an analysis by the consultant team, the Public Safety Building site was removed from the Fast Track option and the opportunity was moved to Track B. No other properties were evaluated using the Fast Track option. The City of Seattle ultimately decided not to make a proposal under Track B.

• Track D. Central Steam: This track finalized earlier studies that explored the economic viability of a central steam plant and cogeneration opportunities for the downtown King County complex and Harborview Medical Center. The central steam plant concept is still under study along with other options of delivering hot water from the new building to adjacent County buildings. As required in Ordinance 14812, a final executive recommendation regarding the steam plant proposal will be transmitted to council by March 31st.

Space Planning and Future Space Requirements

Space planning has been an integral part of this project. The executive transmitted to the King County Council the 2003 Space Plan (Plan) on March 1, 2003. The Space Plan reaffirmed the need to continue efforts to reduce the county's reliance on leased space. The FMD is now developing the 2004 Space Plan that will reconcile 10-year office space need projections with the size and programming of the new office building.

Evaluation of Site Alternatives

The three sites were evaluated against criteria including cost, schedule impacts, designability/constructability, ability to meet program and operational needs, business continuity, ability to meet other King County objectives, and other ancillary benefits or negative impacts.

Figures A.1, B.1, and C.1 are conceptual drawings of a new office building of about 261,000 rentable square feet on each of the sites.

Option A: Goat Hill

The Goat Hill site configuration would provide a total of 985 parking stalls (including the existing Automotive Center garage). For security reasons, the existing King County Automotive Center facility would be dedicated to public parking with office building parking reserved for employees and motor pool cars. This project would likely result in substantial investment in the existing parking garage to blend it better with the architecture of the new

building, upgrade the parking garage to current code, and other-investments necessary to continue operating this garage as a public parking facility. Potentially required garage investments are preliminarily estimated at approximately \$4.2 million.

The soil conditions at the Goat Hill site are less than ideal, but the development project team have results of recent drilling and soil studies. Resulting design constraints have been factored into the developments costs.

Option B: Automotive Center

The Automotive Center site, as recommended, would be a two-phase project:

- **Phase 1** would construct a new parking garage on the west half of Goat Hill.
- **Phase 2** would demolish the current King County Parking Garage and build a new office building (with some parking) on that site.

This phased approach would allow for continuous parking for employees and motor pool cars. This alternative would also provide for 985 total parking stalls (the same capacity as Option A).

The first phase will require construction of a "stand-alone" parking garage on the northwest corner of Goat Hill. Upon completion of this new garage, King County's current Automotive Center will be demolished, and a new office building (with zoning-required parking in the lower levels) will be constructed in its place. The two phases will require approximately 25 months to complete.

There are some significant advantages to the Automotive Center site over the Goat Hill site. First, the soils are more stable and more easily re-graded. Second, it is closer to the main King County "campus" (Administration Building and Courthouse) and will be connected to the underground tunnel. Third, views will be less obstructed. Fourth, parking garage security will be more efficiently handled with a separate Goat Hill parking garage (public) and New Office Building parking (government employees only). These advantages, combined with the economic advantages identified in section 2.3 below, argue convincingly that the Automotive Center Site is the best site.

Option C: North Kingdome Parking Lot

A project on the North Kingdome Parking Lot would include one deck of below ground parking and floor sizes slightly larger than those at King Street Center. The total on-site parking capacity includes only 149 slots, and consequently provides for 101 fewer spaces than Options A and B.

Please note that in order to achieve a reasonable floor configuration the building would extend past the south property line, encroaching onto property owned by the Public Stadium Authority (PSA). The Public Stadium Authority has made it clear in a letter to Vulcan, dated February 3, 2004,

that the encroachment was unacceptable. Although the analysis is presented in this report for comparative purposes, the inability to encroach onto the PSA-controlled property presents a nearly insurmountable hurdle. Furthermore, the analysis makes clear that other site costs make this option unaffordable compared to Options A and B.

Even if encroachment onto PSA property were an option, development of an office building on the North Parking Lot site would be complex and expensive with undue time delays created in securing full and clear title. Additionally, significant efforts would be required to understand project's interface with the monorail plans and other transportation impacts along the east and south boundaries of the property. Items impeding development include:

- Acquisition of property rights to consolidate sufficient land or air rights to properly size the building;
- Elimination of encumbrances against the property;
- Mitigation of site geotechnical conditions;
- Mitigation for environmental and/or archeological conditions;
- Requirement to build parking below grade in an area with a high water table;
- Need for structural enhancements to deal with seismic stability in an area of deep fill.

Economic Attributes

Preliminary cost estimates were developed for each of the three sites. Table 1 summarizes the cost estimates for Options A and B. The North Kingdome Parking Lot site proved especially problematic in terms of the development uncertainties. Preliminary, rough cost estimates for a North Kingdome Parking Lot alternative were prepared and revealed that option would be substantially more expensive than the other two sites. Below are extremely rough estimates related to overcoming obstacles associated with an Option C proposal, if such a proposal were feasible:

•	Property Acquisition/Encumbrance Elimination	<u>\$7.7 million</u>
•	Geotechnical Mitigation	\$1.5 million
•	Seismic Stabilization (Foundation)	\$0.5 million
•	Below Grade Parking	\$1.7 million
•	Reduced Parking Revenues (101 spaces)	\$3.0 million
•	Schedule delay costs (financing impact)	\$2.8 million

The rough estimates listed above provide the reader with an understanding of the projected additional costs associated with the North Kingdome Parking Lot proposal outlined in Option C. Not included above, but a likely additional cost, would be additional construction costs associated with construction schedule delay. The magnitude of this additional cost could be well in excess of \$3.5 million. Clearly, even if this option were viable, it would exceed the other two options in cost.

Due to site disadvantages, preliminary economics and development infeasibility of the North Kingdome Parking Lot, further refinements of cost estimates were not done. Of course, if a proposal were to arise that meets the county's needs, overcomes site disadvantages, and is priced competitively with the other two options, the Executive would consider the proposal.

Comparison of Options A and B

The economic comparisons between the Goat Hill option (Option A) and the Automotive Center Site (Option B) demonstrate that the Automotive Center Site is superior. The added property value and savings that result from replacing an aging, outdated, and inefficient parking structure far outweigh the added construction costs associated with a two building project. Additional investment to make the existing parking garage safety compliant would require vehicle restraint walls at a cost of approximately \$1.7 million. An aesthetic and architectural enhancement of the existing to blend the existing parking facility with the new office building is approximately \$2.5 million. The total of these items, \$4.2 million, is an approximation of the construction cost differential between the two sites.

Another consideration in providing an "apples to apples" comparison between Options A and B is the fact that the aging parking facility would require significant major maintenance work to be compared on an equivalent value level with the new garage provided in Option B. To provide a reasonable "apples to apples" adjustment, FMD totaled the major maintenance project budgets included in the six-year Major Maintenance Reserve Fund plan. This resulted in a conservative \$2.4 million adjustment for comparative purposes.

More efficient configuration of parking spaces identified in Option B should provide greater parking revenue potential than the Goat Hill option. Finally, this alternative will provide more flexibility with regard to the number of parking spaces ultimately constructed and the revenue to be generated by those spaces.

Another economic difference between Options A and B is the \$10 million value ascribed to the 'development capacity' of that site to accommodate a 261,000 SF building. Alternative B doesn't use the Goat Hill site for that development; rather, it creates that value through redevelopment of the Automotive Center site to its full potential, while saving Goat Hill for future development potential. In no way will the remaining development value of the Goat Hill site be reduced by Option B. In fact, the replacement of

somewhat low quality surface parking with higher value structured parking and other required site investments that are inherent in the Option B cost estimates will likely decrease the costs of future development, and increase the overall value of the property.

A recap of these two options compared to the initial pro-forma is as follows:

Table 1. Economic Comparisons to Original Pro-forma

Original	Option A	Option B
Pro-forma	Goat Hill Site	Garage Site
\$ 865,000	\$ 865,000	\$ 983,000
1,331,000	1,331,000	1,720,000
898,000	898,000	1,197,000
43,446,500	39,457,000	46,423,540
14,331,500	14,331,500	16,351,500
9,293,710	9,253,815	10,290,030
\$70,165,710	\$66,136,315	\$76,965,070
10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
		(10,000,000)
2,500,000	2,900,000	2,900,000
6,312,987	6,326,422	5,871,941
	4,200,000	
		(2,400,000)
\$88,978,697	\$89,562,737*	\$83,337,011*
	584,040	(5,641,686)
		(6,225,726)
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^{*} Assume specialty adds paid from internal service or enterprise funds.

Recommendation

It is the Executive's recommendation to move forward with the New County Office Building plan to construct an office building on the King County Automotive Center site, and to provide structured parking on the Goat Hill. The total cost of this proposal is consistent with the original pro-forma included in the New County Office Building Project Plan.

New County Office Building

Site Evaluations and Recommendations

Section 1

Background

n December 9, 2003, the Metropolitan King County Council acknowledged the technical foundation and real estate research conducted under the auspices of the Facilities Management Division (FMD), and adopted Ordinance 14812, appropriating \$1.2 million to the next phase of the New County Office Building Project. The full text of Ordinance 14812 is contained in Appendix A for reader convenience.

The New County Office Building proposal involves construction a new King County office building on county-owned land to accommodate 261,000 square feet of office space. The proposal results in substantial long term savings by converting office space leased in privately-owned buildings to county-owned space. The New County Office Building plan is divided into four phases:

- Phase I (complete): Evaluation of Options for Reducing Office Space Costs. This phase was completed with submittal of a report to the council titled An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs. Ordinance 14812 was adopted based upon the executive's recommendations in that report.
- Phase II (underway): Site Selection and Predevelopment. Activities will include evaluation of site alternatives, site selection, preliminary conceptual design work for the new building, and permitting. Funding for Phase II was appropriated via Ordinance 14812. This report fulfills the site selection requirement in the ordinance.
- Phase III: Final Design and Construction. Activities will include finalizing the Master Use Permit (MUP) process, obtaining required design approvals, commencing design

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development and construction drawings, obtaining the building permit(s), and commencing construction.

• **Phase IV: Space Allocation and Occupancy.** Final decisions regarding occupancy of the new building, space allocations, moving, and startup of business operations will occur in this phase.

The \$1.2 million appropriated via Ordinance 14812 allowed the FMD to proceed with the Phase II of the New County Office Building initiative. The new building will result in significant future cost savings, improved operational efficiency, and better public service.

1.1 Review of Phase I

The preliminary feasibility phase of this project commenced in the fall of 2002 with an initial funding of \$475,000 to explore options to either purchase an existing building or build a new office building for King County and make recommendations on how the county should proceed. The work also included a Phase II analysis of the Central Steam Plant Feasibility Study. The evaluation process consisted of a series of four separate exploration tracks:

Track A. Development of King County Owned Land: This track
explored options for development on King County-owned land
primarily through a Request for Qualifications /Request for Proposal
process to solicit developers to plan, design and construct a leaseleaseback for a new office building.

In March 2003 the county issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) (108-03RLD) soliciting responses from qualified developer teams to plan, design and construct a lease-leaseback for a new office building on King County-owned land (Goat Hill, Automotive Center, or other county-owned site). A total of seven (7) responses were received and evaluated based on the criteria defined in the RFQ. Three short-listed finalists were selected and invited to propose on a Request for Proposal (RFP). The RFP was issued on May 22, 2003 in accordance with RCW 36.34.205 and KCC 4.56.160 (E). Short-listed finalists included Hines Interest Limited Partnership, Opus Northwest, L.L.C. and Wright Runstad & Company.

RFP proposal responses from all three RFQ short-listed finalists were received on June 5, 2003. A review panel selected the firm of Wright Runstad & Company (Wright Runstad) as the County's developer.

Track B. Building Development or Acquisition on Non-County-Owned Land: This track explored options for development on non-county-owned land and utilized a Request for Proposal process and included acquisition options for both land as well as existing buildings.

On May 22, 2003 the county issued an RFP (125-03RLD) soliciting proposals from commercial real estate developers that own and/or

control appropriately located property to plan, develop, design and construct a build-to-suit, lease to-own development project. "Appropriately located property" was defined in the RFP as bounded by 8th Avenue on the east, Alaskan Way on the west, University Street on the north and Royal Brougham Way on the south. The RFP assumed an IRS tax code revenue ruling "63-20" bond financing strategy will be used on the project. A single RFP proposal response was received on June 5, 2003 from Opus Northwest, L.L.C. The non-county-owned proposal property was located at 5th Avenue between Terrace and Yesler Streets and is adjacent to the county-owned Goat Hill property. The proposal was found unacceptable due to the high cost of the land (\$20 million compared with the \$10 million land value attributed to the county-owned Goat Hill site).

With regard to building acquisition opportunities, a wide net process of selection and narrowing was undertaken beginning in November 2002 that resulted in the identification of a total of 266 buildings and sites as opportunities of interest. In February 2003 the list of opportunities of interest were screened and resulted in a master list of 41 buildings and sites as the most promising opportunities. A short list of 11 buildings and sites was developed by May 2003. A further narrowing of the short list to five buildings occurred in August 2003.

The five final candidates were subjected to further evaluation that included code, seismic, architectural, mechanical, electrical engineering, cost, and qualitative evaluation necessary to bring the buildings up to an assumed standard. This evaluation was completed in early September 2003 with the conclusion that, all things considered, the building acquisition opportunities were not a better deal for the county than building construction options.

• **Track C. Fast Track:** This track explored time sensitive opportunities that might emerge during the exploration process that required an immediate response.

In December 2002 the consultant agreement was amended to use the "Fast Track" option to assess the feasibility and attractiveness of codeveloping with the City of Seattle on the Third Avenue & James Street site (i.e. the Public Safety Building). Following an analysis by the consultant team, the Third Avenue & James site was removed from the Fast Track option and the opportunity was moved to Track B. No other properties were evaluated using the Fast Track option and the City of Seattle ultimately decided not to make a proposal under Track B. See Appendix B for matrix of positive and negative attributes of the Public Safety Building site.

• **Track D. Central Steam:** This track finalized earlier studies that explored the economic viability of a central steam plant and cogeneration opportunities for the downtown King County complex and Harborview Medical Center.

The central steam plant concept is still under study along with other options of delivering hot water from the new building to adjacent County buildings. As required in Ordinance 14812, a final executive recommendation regarding the steam plant proposal will be transmitted to council by March 31st. In addition to the original steam plant option, the report will examine other alternatives for delivery of steam and/or hot water to the King County Courthouse complex.

1.2 Space Planning and Future Space Requirements

Space planning has been an integral part of this project. The executive transmitted to the King County Council the 2003 Space Plan (Plan) on March 1, 2003. The Space Plan reaffirmed the need to continue efforts to reduce the county's reliance on outside leased space. The potential range of staffing outcomes for King County departments over the next 10 years did not result in a significant reduction in office space needs in spite of the recent and expected future annexations and incorporations. Rather, the staffing forecast showed a slight growth in space needs as the probable outcome. In short, staffing reductions caused by the current plight of the county's Current Expense Fund and annexations was projected to affect primarily suburban specialty locations with required staff reductions for staff located downtown likely to be offset by staffing increases projected by those agencies not reliant on the Current Expense Fund. The FMD is now developing the 2004 Space Plan that will reconcile 10-year office space need projections with the size and programming of the new office building.

1.3 Proviso Requirement for Siting Analysis

When the council approved Ordinance 14812, there were several provisos included in the ordinance requiring further analysis and reports as part of Phase II of the plan. Among those provisos was a requirement that the executive propose, and council approve, the site for the new building. In accordance with the Project Plan submitted to council on January 30, 2004, there are three sites under consideration:

- **Goat Hill:** between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and east of 5th Avenue (south of the King County Correctional Facility).
- **King Automotive Center (County Parking Garage):** between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and west of 5th Avenue.
- North Kingdome Parking Lot: north of the Seahawks Stadium.

These sites were to be evaluated based on cost, schedule impacts, ability to meet program and operational needs, business continuity, ability to meet other King County objectives, designability/constructability, and other ancillary positive or negative impacts.

1.4 Executive Response

In response to proviso described above, FMD and the development firm, Wright Runstad, have analyzed the three King County-owned sites. It is apparent from the analysis that the King County Automotive Center is the optimum site for the New County Office Building. It is close to the current campus, physically connected to the Administration and Courthouse via tunnels, and the least problematic site in terms of soil conditions and development requirements. Developing the Automotive Center site as proposed also includes improvements on the Goat Hill site. Additional parking will be provided with the construction of a new structured parking facility, along with configuring the Goat Hill site for potential future development (such as future correctional facility or jail health expansion). The added parking will meet the needs identified in the pro-forma, as well as replacing all existing parking.

The factors considered for each site, and an evaluation against the selection criteria are contained in this report. Detailed spreadsheets and other supporting documentation are available upon request.

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Section 2

Evaluation of Site Alternatives

n accordance with the Project Plan submitted to the council on January 30, 2004, the three sites under consideration are:

- **Goat Hill:** between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and east of 5th Avenue (south of the King County Correctional Facility).
- **King County Automotive Center:** between Jefferson and Terrace Streets and west of 5th Avenue.
- North Kingdome Parking Lot: north of the Seahawks Stadium.

These sites have been evaluated against criteria including cost, schedule impacts, designability/constructability, ability to meet program and operational needs, business continuity, ability to meet other King County objectives, and other ancillary positive or negative impacts.

2.1 Siting Concepts

Although design work on the New County Office Building is not scheduled to begin until after site selection, preliminary concept work was required to evaluate the feasibility of development for each of the sites, as well as to estimate comparative costs. The architectural firm of Zimmer Gunsul Frasca (ZGF), under the direction of Wright Runstad, prepared block diagrams with defined building attributes for each of the three sites.

2.1.1 Option A: Goat Hill Site

Figures A.1 through A.6 are conceptual drawings show an office building of about 261,000 rentable square feet on the Goat Hill site. This configuration would provide a total of 985 parking stalls (including the existing Automotive Center garage). For security reasons, the existing King County Automotive Center facility would be dedicated to public parking with office building parking reserved for employees and motor pool cars. This project would likely result in substantial investment in the existing parking garage to blend it better with the architecture of the new building, upgrade the parking garage to current code, and other investments necessary to continue operating this garage as a public parking facility. Potentially required garage investments are preliminarily estimated at approximately \$4.2 million.

2.1.2 Option B: King County Automotive Center Site

Figures B.1 through B.8 show an office building of about 261,000 rentable square feet on the Automotive Center site. This would be a two-phase project:

- **Phase 1** would construct a new parking garage on the west half of Goat Hill.
- **Phase 2** would demolish the current King County Parking Garage and build a new office building (with some parking) on that site.

This phased approach would allow for continuous parking for employees and motor pool cars. This alternative would provide for 985 total parking stalls (the same capacity as Option A).

2.1.3 Option C: North Kingdome Parking Lot

Figures C.1 through C.5 show a new office building of about 261,000 rentable square feet on the northeast quadrant of the Kingdome Parking lot. The northwest quadrant of the North Kingdome Parking Lot was not considered because of the long-standing interest of the Pioneer Square community in having a substantial housing development on this site. Reservation of the northwest quadrant represents what the King County Executive believes is the minimum acceptable reservation of property for housing (with least impact from the railroad transportation corridor located to the east of the North Kingdome Parking Lot).

The project would include one deck of below ground parking and floor sizes slightly larger than those at King Street Center. The total on-site parking capacity includes only 149 slots, and consequently provides for 101 fewer spaces than Options A and B.

Please note that in order to achieve a reasonable floor configuration the building would extend past the county's south property line, encroaching onto property owned by the Public Stadium Authority (PSA). The Public Stadium Authority has made it clear in a letter to Vulcan, dated February 3, 2004 (Appendix C), that the encroachment was unacceptable. Although the analysis is presented in this report for comparative purposes, the inability to encroach onto the PSA-controlled property presents a nearly insurmountable hurdle. Furthermore, the analysis makes clear that other site costs make this option unaffordable compared to Options A and B.

2.2 Development Considerations

Each of the three sites has characteristics that would affect development (design and construction).

2.2.1 Option A: Goat Hill Site

Construction on Goat Hill would occur on the northwest corner of the site and would not require a vacation of the alley nor street right of ways. Given the sloping grade of the site, the building would be constructed mostly above grade, thereby saving considerable expense in excavation. Additionally, the views from offices located above the parking levels would be enhanced. The soil conditions at the Goat Hill site are less than ideal, but the project development team have results of recent drilling and soil studies. Resulting design constraints have been factored into the development costs.

In the meantime, Martin Selig has developed design documents for a 270,000 square foot office building (17 stories high) on the southwest corner of Goat Hill; the project was recently approved by Seattle's Design Review Board. Mr. Selig has determined it is not in his best interest to obtain an alley or street vacation for his project. FMD staff does not know when that office building might begin construction, but construction is unlikely to commence until significant pre-leasing has taken place. (At this time, there are no known signed tenants.) On the other hand, the building could receive its Master Use Permit within a few months of achieving construction financing. The Selig proposal is virtually identical to the Opus/Selig proposal previously submitted to the County in Phase I, Track B described at Section 1.1. That proposal was not financially competitive because of the price of the land and development costs.

2.2.2 Option B: King County Automotive Center Site

Construction of this option would occur in two phases. The first phase will require construction of a "stand-alone" parking garage on the northwest corner of Goat Hill. Upon completion of this new garage, King County's current Automotive Center will be demolished, and a new office building (with zoning-required parking in the lower levels) will be constructed in its place. The two phases will require approximately 25 months to complete.

There are some significant advantages to the Automotive Center site over the Goat Hill site. First, the soils are more stable, and more easily re-graded. Second, it is closer to the main King County "campus" (Administration Building and Courthouse) and will be connected to the underground tunnel. Third, views will be less obstructed. Fourth, parking garage security will be more efficiently handled with a separate Goat Hill parking garage (public) and New Office Building parking (government employees only). These advantages, combined with the economic advantages identified in section 2.3 below, argue convincingly that the Automotive Center Site is the best site.

2.2.3 Option C: North Kingdome Parking Lot

The size and height restrictions of each lot are important factors in assessing the viability of each parcel and are particularly restrictive on the North Kingdome Parking Lot. Given the site limitations, the optimum building configuration is presented as Figure C-3. This configuration would create an L-shaped project similar in feel to the King Street Center and a Class A office building. This plan would require acquisition of property from the Public Stadium Authority (PSA), an option that is not likely, given the clear indication from the PSA that they have no intention of relinquishing any of their North Kingdome Lot property. (See Appendix C.) Even if encroachment onto PSA property were an option, development of an office building on the North Parking Lot site would be complex and expensive with undue time delays created in securing full and clear title. Additionally, significant efforts would be required to understand project's interface with the monorail plans and other transportation impacts along the east and south boundaries of the property. Items impeding development include:

- Acquisition of property rights to consolidate sufficient land or air rights to properly size the building;
- Elimination of encumbrances against the property, particularly the need to replace about 250 parking spaces required for Seahawks Stadium;
- Mitigation of site geotechnical conditions;
- Mitigation for environmental and/or archeological conditions;
- Requirement to build parking below grade in an area with a high water table;
- Need for structural enhancements to deal with seismic stability in an area of deep fill.

2.3 Economic Attributes

Preliminary cost estimates were developed for each of the three sites. Table 1 summarizes the cost estimates for Options A and B. The North Kingdome Parking Lot site proved especially problematic in terms of the development uncertainties outlined in Section 2.2 above. Preliminary, rough cost estimates for a North Kingdome Parking Lot alternative were prepared and revealed that option would be substantially more expensive than the other two sites.

2.3.1 Brief Discussion of Option C

A brief summary of a preliminary range of estimates for the North Kingdome Parking Lot is provided below. Notwithstanding the highly speculative nature of the development assumptions, it is currently infeasible to site an office building on the North Kingdome Parking Lot that will meet the county's requirements. Consequently, cost estimates for the North Kingdome Parking Lot were not developed to the same level as for Options A and B. Option C estimates are provided below to demonstrate that there are cost items for that option that would not be a consideration in Options A or B. Below are extremely rough estimates related to overcoming obstacles associated with an Option C proposal, if such a proposal were feasible:

•	Property Acquisition/Encumbrance Elimination	<u>\$7.7 million</u>
•	Geotechnical Mitigation	\$1.5 million
•	Seismic Stabilization (Foundation)	\$0.5 million
•	Below Grade Parking	\$1.7 million
•	Reduced Parking Revenues (101 spaces)	\$3.0 million
•	Schedule delay costs (financing impact)	\$2.8 million

The rough estimates listed above provide the reader with an understanding of the projected additional costs associated with the North Kingdome Parking Lot proposal outlined in Option C. Not included above, but a likely additional cost, would be additional construction costs associated with construction schedule delay. The magnitude of this additional cost could be well in excess of \$3.5 million. Clearly, even if this option were viable, it would exceed the other two options in cost.

Property Acquisition/Encumbrance elimination: The building configuration shown in Figure C.3 would encroach onto PSA property. If the county were to acquire and utilize the encroachment area outright, it would need to secure title to approximately 21,200² square feet of property and eliminate encumbrances against that property by providing replacement parking for parking currently on the property. We estimate that total cost at a minimum of \$1,500,000. If the PSA is unwilling to sell, as they have indicated (according to representatives of the PSA, this acquisition may be a prohibited by their originating legislation (see Appendix C)).

Any development on the North Parking Lot site would require the construction of replacement parking for 250 or more parking stalls. Construction costs are currently estimated at \$6.2 million.

Mitigation for Unknown Site Conditions (Geotechnical, Environmental, Archeological): The budget for the project would have added costs and would need a substantial contingency to cover unknown soils conditions. Our experience during construction of the King Street Center tells us that this area has substantial landfill and a long history of varied uses that normally require a fairly high contingent amount to cover unknowns found during excavation. In order to construct an underground garage in this location, dewatering is required which is a delicate and expensive operation. The status of surrounding buildings would need to be continually monitored at added cost and appropriate mitigation paid if neighboring buildings showed any signs of damage during construction. Add-on costs and contingencies are estimated at \$1.5 million.

Below Grade Parking: The cost for constructing the parking component of the building is substantially higher than the other two sites because one deck of parking would be below grade in an area of fill with a high water table. These added costs, when compared to the cost of parking at the other sites being considered, is estimated at almost \$1.7 million.

Parking Revenue Loss: The adopted pro-forma (and Options A and B) included 250 net additional parking spaces with income value of \$30,000 each. This proposal has only 149 spaces, resulting in a revenue loss of \$3,000,000.

<u>Seismic Stabilization (Foundation):</u> Soil conditions at the site would require add on costs to ensure that future seismic events would not result in

² The estimated building footprint of the encroachment would be 12,500 square feet. This estimate assumes the full lot width and that there would be no parking available to the PSA in the office building courtyard.

costly repairs of superficial damage. The site conditions lend themselves to partial liquefaction and higher than average ground movement during earthquakes. These conditions can be mitigated by increased foundation work, but at a price currently estimated at around \$500,000.

Delay Costs - Financing: A development on the North Parking Lot will delay the delivery of a new office building by at least one year. Currently, the interest risk associated with a one-year delay would cost about \$2.8 million to eliminate.

A proposal for a variation of Option C was developed by Vulcan. This concept would limit the footprint of the New County Office Building to the North half of the North Kingdome Parking Lot, thereby not encroaching on the PSA parking lot. The concept would be a five-story building, with a portion of the top three stories extending into airspace above the PSA property. The block diagram for this proposal did not indicate support columns on the PSA property. However, from a structural design standpoint, such supports would be necessary, creating an encroachment onto PSA property. The block diagram of the building does not meet the county's programmatic requirements for the following reasons:

- The cantilever concept for the top three floors is not "constructable." Vertical columns at the south perimeter of the building will be necessary, causing an encroachment onto PSA property and probably some loss of parking.
- The North Lot is part of the Pioneer Square historic district, and it will be difficult to design this configuration in a compatible architectural style.
- It lacks the "view value" of Options A and B. This reduces its relative market value.
- Floor to floor heights are 13 feet-8 inches. This is much too low for floorplates of 51,000 +/- square feet. Such a building would be highly compromised. It would result in a very negative environment for occupants and would greatly diminish its market value.
- Security issues (such as truck bombs under the overhang).
- It would be expensive and perhaps risky to construct underground parking at this site considering the water table and historic environmental issues. It would be particularly expensive and difficult, if not impossible, to accommodate the 250 parking spaces required in the pro-forma.
- There would be likely delays of construction as development issues are negotiated (legal, land use, neighborhood, historic, PSA parking mitigation, transportation (monorail, WSDOT, Sound Transit, SeaTran, bus layovers), etc.)

Due to site disadvantages, preliminary economics, and development infeasibility of the North Kingdome Parking Lot, further refinements of cost estimates were not done. Of course, if a proposal were to arise that meets the county's needs, overcomes site disadvantages, and is priced competitively with the other two options, the Executive would consider the proposal.

2.3.2 Comparison of Options A and B

The economic comparisons between the Goat Hill option (Option A) and the Automotive Center Site (Option B) demonstrate that the Automotive Center Site is superior. The added property value and savings that result from replacing an aging, outdated, and inefficient parking structure far outweigh the added construction costs associated with a two building project. Additional investment to make the existing parking garage safety compliant would require vehicle restraint walls at a cost of approximately \$1.7 million. An aesthetic and architectural enhancement of the existing to blend the existing parking facility with the new office building is approximately \$2.5 million. The total of these items, \$4.2 million, is an approximation of the construction cost differential between the two sites.

Another consideration in providing an "apples to apples" comparison between Options A and B is the fact that the aging parking facility would require significant major maintenance work to be compared on an equivalent value level with the new garage provided in Option B. To provide a reasonable "apples to apples" adjustment, FMD totaled the major maintenance project budgets included in the six-year Major Maintenance Reserve Fund plan. This resulted in a conservative \$2.4 million adjustment for comparative purposes. Future total Major Maintenance Replacement Fund revenues might be less than forecast in the current MMRF financial plan, nevertheless the elimination of the need for the \$2.4 million is recognized as a true savings for comparison purposes. The actual major maintenance need goes away.

More efficient configuration of parking spaces identified in Option B should provide greater parking revenue potential than the Goat Hill option. Finally, this alternative will provide more flexibility with regard to the number of parking spaces ultimately constructed and the revenue to be generated by those spaces.

Another economic difference between Options A and B is the \$10 million value ascribed to the 'development capacity' of that site to accommodate a 261,000 SF building. Alternative B doesn't use the Goat Hill site for that development; rather, it creates that value through redevelopment of the Automotive Center site to its full potential, while saving Goat Hill for future development potential. In no way will the remaining development value of the Goat Hill site be reduced by Option B. In fact, the replacement of somewhat low quality surface parking with higher value structured parking and other required site investments that are inherent in the Option B cost estimates will likely decrease the costs of future development, and increase

the overall value and parking revenue potential of the property. A recap of these two options compared to the initial pro-forma is as follows:

Table 1. Economic Comparisons to Original Pro-forma

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Cost Element	Original	Option A	Option B	
	Pro-forma	Goat Hill Site	Garage Site	
Entitlements and Utilities	\$ 865,000	\$ 865,000	\$ 983,000	
Shell and Core Architecture	1,331,000	1,331,000	1,720,000	
Shell and Core Engineering	898,000	898,000	1,197,000	
Shell and Core Construction	43,446,500	39,457,000	46,423,540	
Tenant Improvements	14,331,500	14,331,500	16,351,500	
Misc Dev				
Costs/Fees/Contingencies	9,293,710	9,253,815	10,290,030	
Total Development	\$70,165,710	\$66,136,315	\$76,965,070	
Land	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	
Land Value Escalation –				
Highest and Best Use			(10,000,000)	
Financing	2,500,000	2,900,000	2,900,000	
Net Capitalized Interest	6,312,987	6,326,422	5,871,941	
Adjustment for KCCF Safety and Architectural Modifications		4,200,000		
Eliminated Major Maintenance				
Requirements			(2,400,000)	
Total Cost of Project	\$88,978,697	\$89,562,737*	\$83,337,011*	
Difference from Pro-Forma		584,040	(5,641,686)	
Difference from A.4			(6,225,726)	

^{*} Assume specialty adds paid from internal service or enterprise funds.

2.4 Table 2: Comparison of Programmatic Attributes

Ontion A:	Ontine Br	Ontion Co North
Option A:	Option B:	Option C: North
Goat Hill	Parking Garage	Kingdome Parking Lot
Second closest to other core buildings	Closest to core buildings	Only adjacent to King Street Center.
Good adjacencies to	Best adjacencies to tenant	Poor adjacencies to tenant
tenant functions	functions	functions
Sized to meet tenant	Sized to meet tenant	Likely not sized to meet
agencies' 10-year needs	agencies' 10-year needs	tenant agencies' 10-year needs
No covered entry to other	Covered entry to other	No covered entry to other
core buildings	core buildings	core buildings
Uses part of growth	Preserves growth capacity	Preserves growth capacity
capacity on Goat Hill	on Goat Hill	on Goat Hill
Fastest building delivery date by 6 months	Second fastest delivery date	Uncertain delivery date
Does not deal with current	Deals with current garage	Does not deal with garage
garage inefficiencies or	inefficiencies, code	inefficiencies, garage code
major maintenance	compliance, aesthetics	compliance, garage
requirements	and eliminates major	aesthetics or garage major
	maintenance requirements	maintenance
Floors highly efficient for a	Floors highly efficient for a	Large floor plates proving
multiple agency building	multiple agency building	somewhat inefficient for
		multiple agency building,
		particularly with the
		blocking provided by an independent developer
Positive working	Positive working	Option C provides fair
environment with good	environment with good	working environment with
natural lighting, efficient	natural lighting, efficient	adequate lighting, efficient
traffic patterns, and	traffic patterns, and	traffic patterns for single
worker friendly work	worker friendly work	tenant floors and
layouts	layouts	opportunity for friendly
		work layouts. (Unsolicited
		developer-provided layout
· ·		provides poor working
	·	environment with
		questionable natural
		lighting in places, low
		ceiling heights for the size
		of the floors, questionable
		traffic efficiencies for
		multiple tenant floors and
		some low quality working
Excellent public	Excellent public	layouts). Transportation hub –
transportation	transportation	Good public
		transportation
Adjacent public parking	Configuration lends itself	Proximity to large public
creates some security	to good security	parking areas, including
issues		off-hours parking, creates
		significant security issues.

2.5 Recommendation

It is the Executive's recommendation to move forward with the New County Office Building plan to construct an office building on the King County Automotive Center site, and to provide structured parking on the Goat Hill. The total cost of this proposal is consistent with the original pro-forma included in the New County Office Building Project Plan.

It is apparent from the analysis that development of Option B on the King County Automotive Center site is the best option. The Automotive Center is close to the current campus, physically connected to the Administration Building and Courthouse via tunnels, and the least problematic site in terms of soil conditions and development requirements. It is also the best economic choice. Developing the Automotive Center site as proposed also includes improvements on the Goat Hill site. When constructing the parking garage on the Goat Hill Site, it will have the benefit of improving the site for potential future development (such as future correctional facility or jail health expansion).

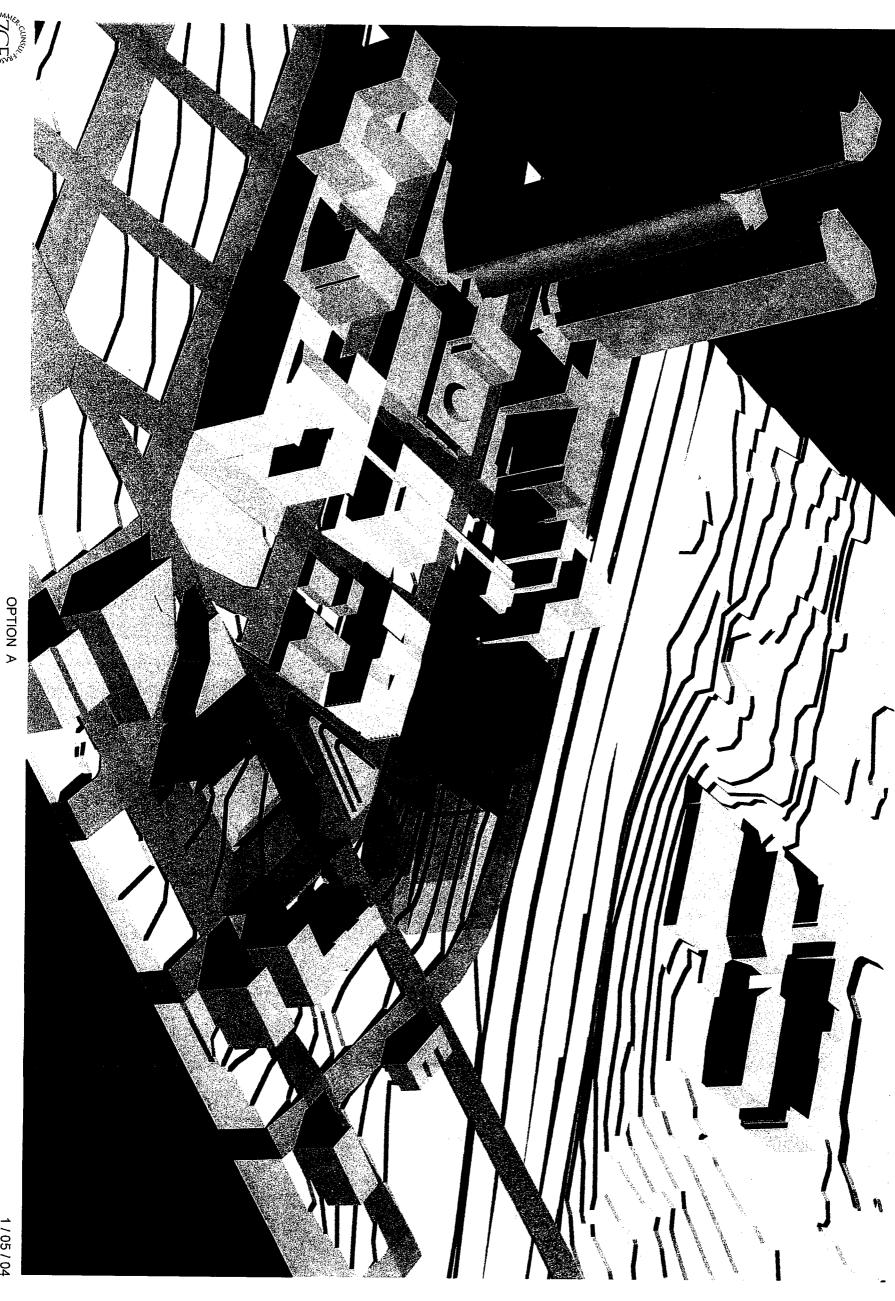
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Next Steps

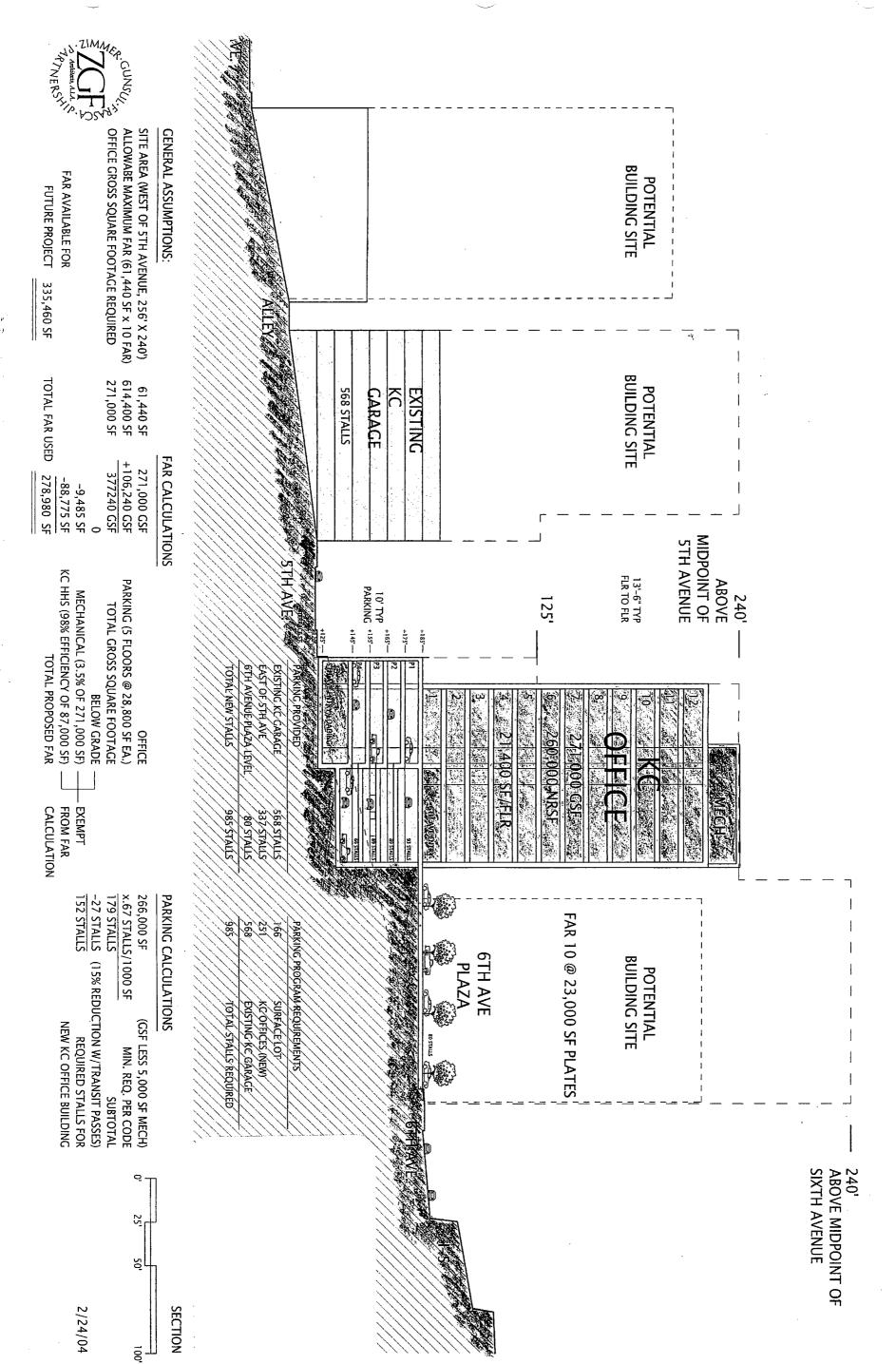
he FMD team is moving forward according to the project plan for the New County Office Building, as set forth in the first New County Office Building Proviso Response sent to Council on January 30, 2003. It is understood from meetings between FMD and council staff that Council cannot possibly adhere to the timelines set forth in the plan for council review and approval of specific items in the plan. It should be noted that the Council review and approval schedule set forth in the New County Office Building Project Plan was necessitated by funding restrictions in the proviso language. If FMD is to move forward and adhere to the scheduling commitments made to council, and upon which the project financing plan was based, there will need to be some revision of the original expenditure restriction language in the proviso.

3.1 Required Council Action

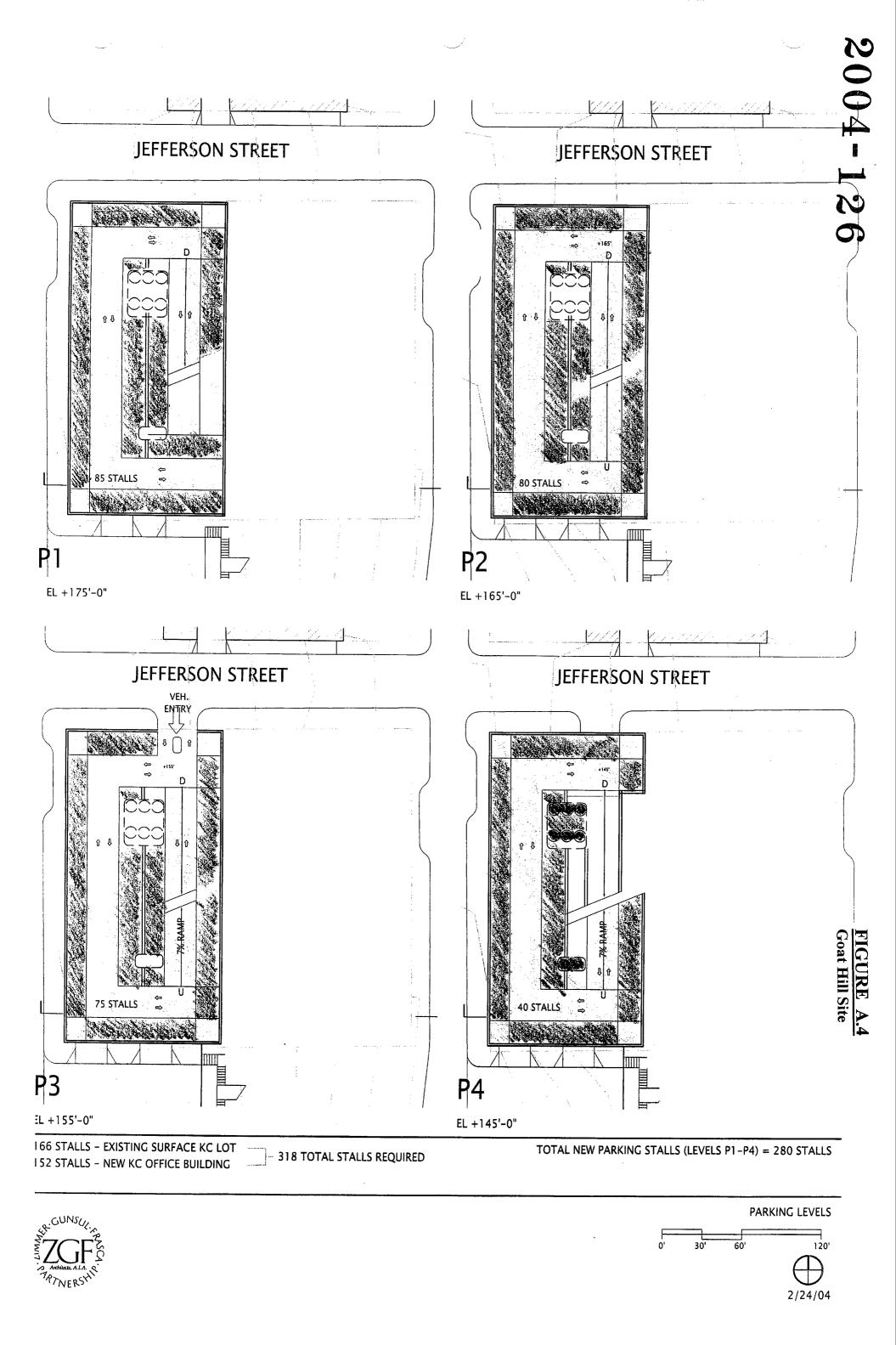
n February 26, 2004, the executive transmitted to council an ordinance revising the expenditure restrictions in the provisos to Ordinance 14812. If council approves this (or similar) language, it would allow council adequate review time to consider each of the items set forth in the proviso, and would also allow FMD to adhere to the project schedule. Adherence to the schedule is important due to the significant costs associated with delays.



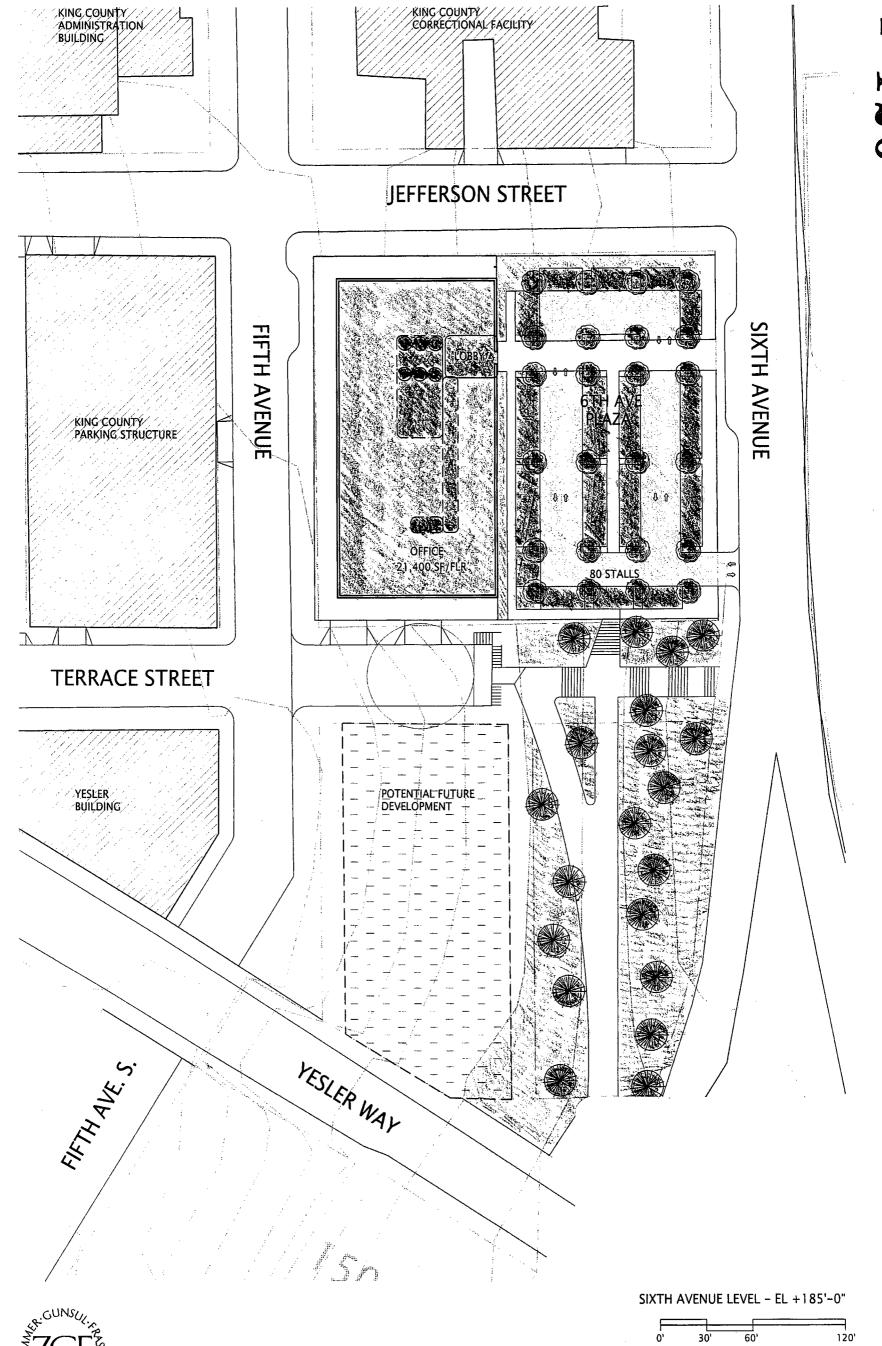


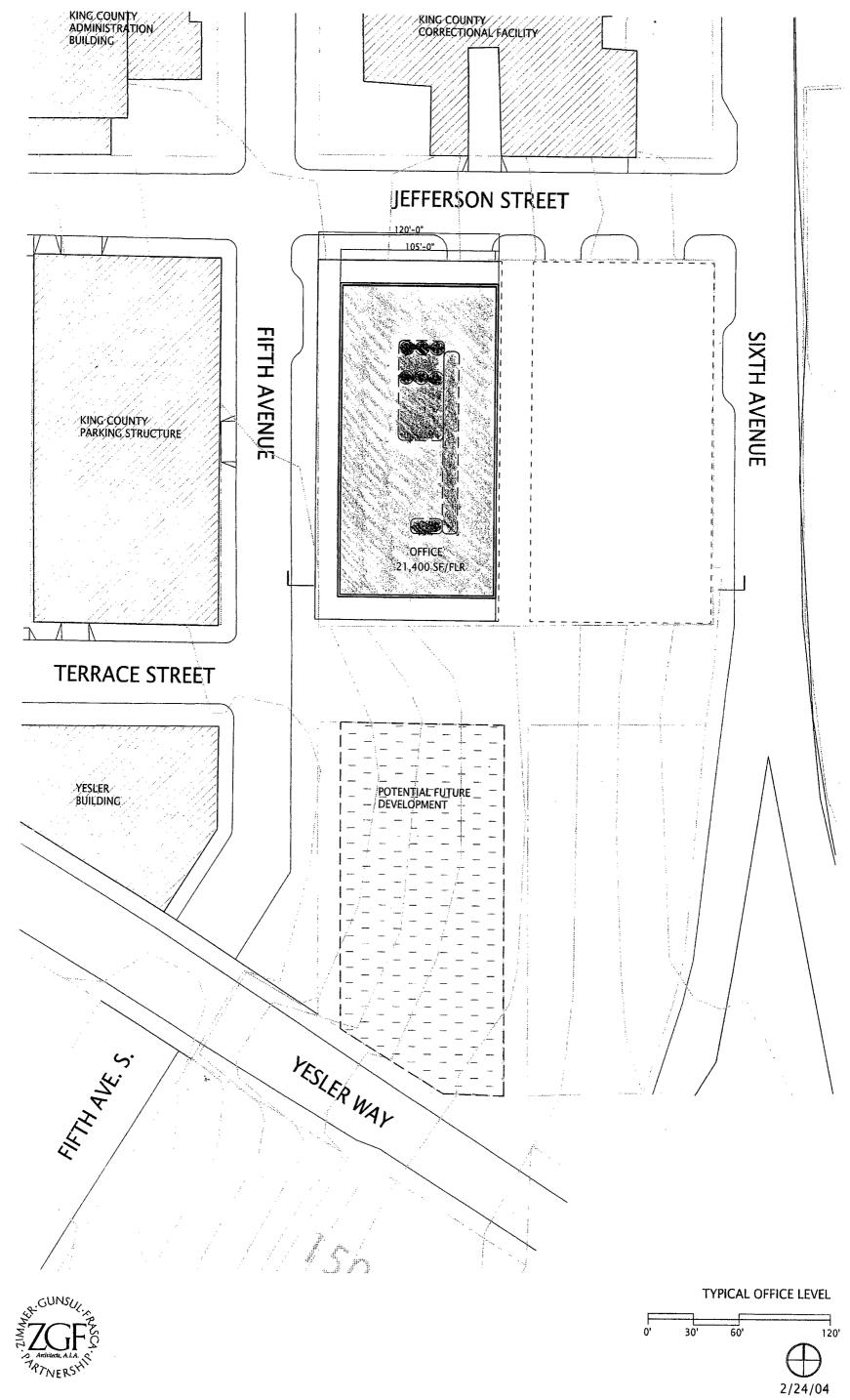


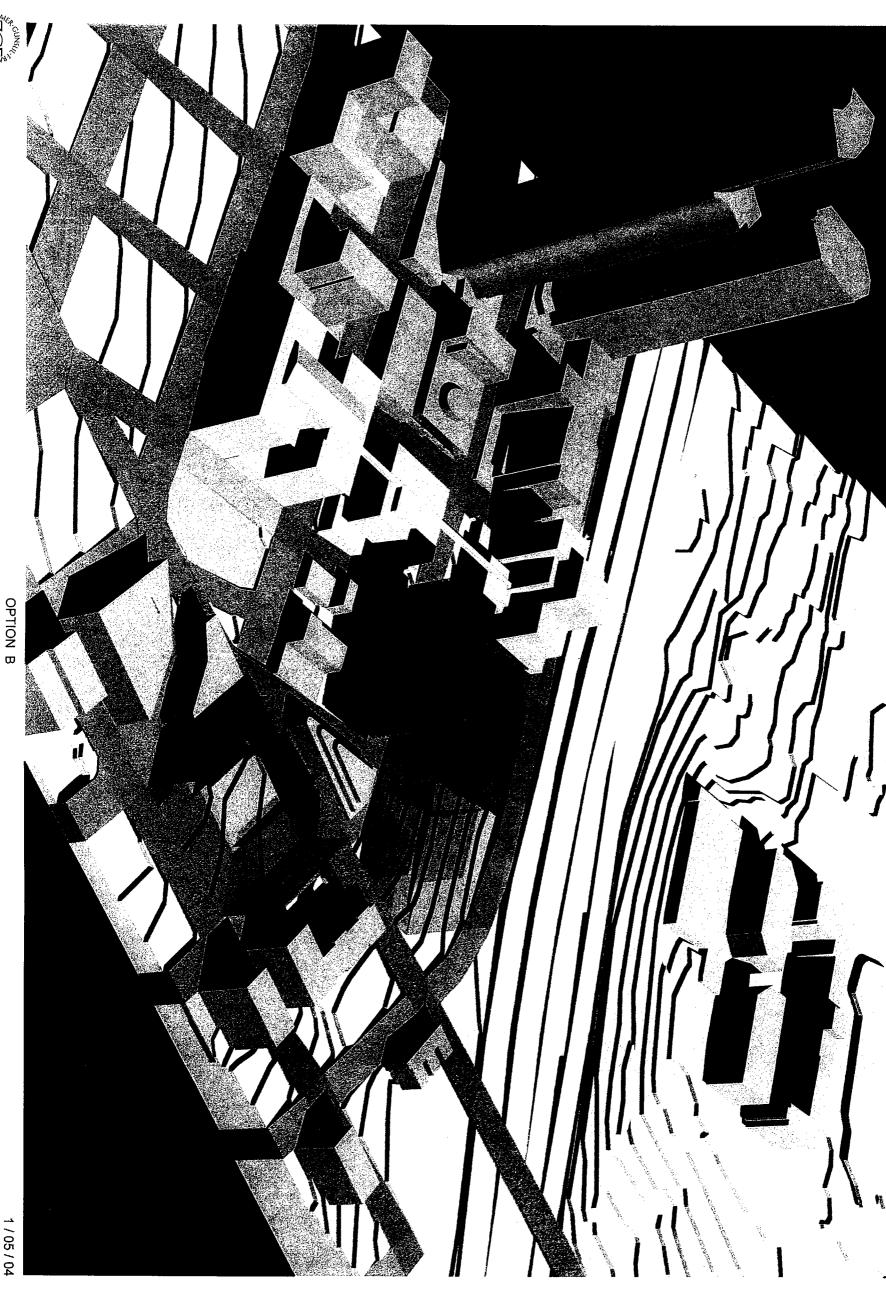
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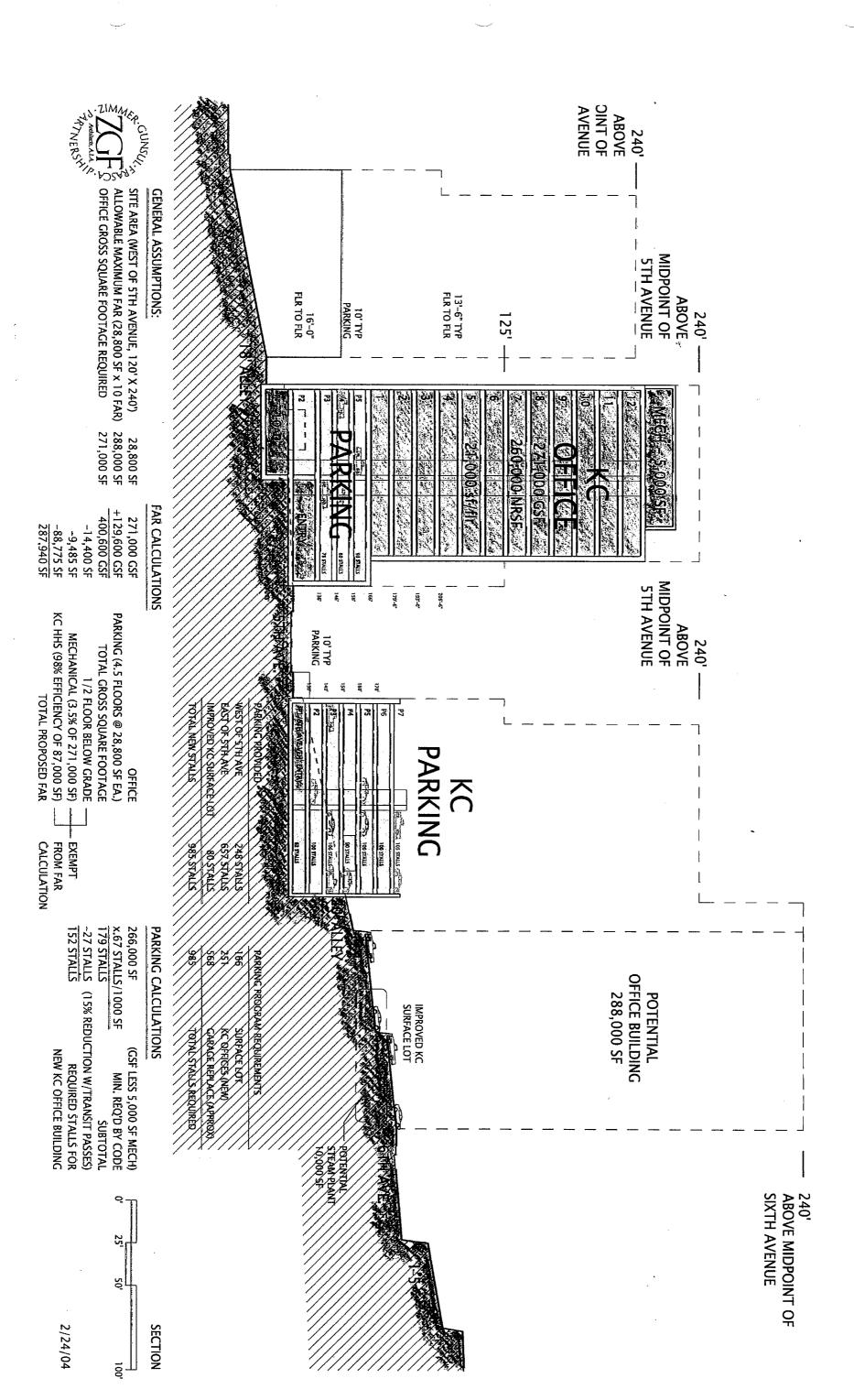
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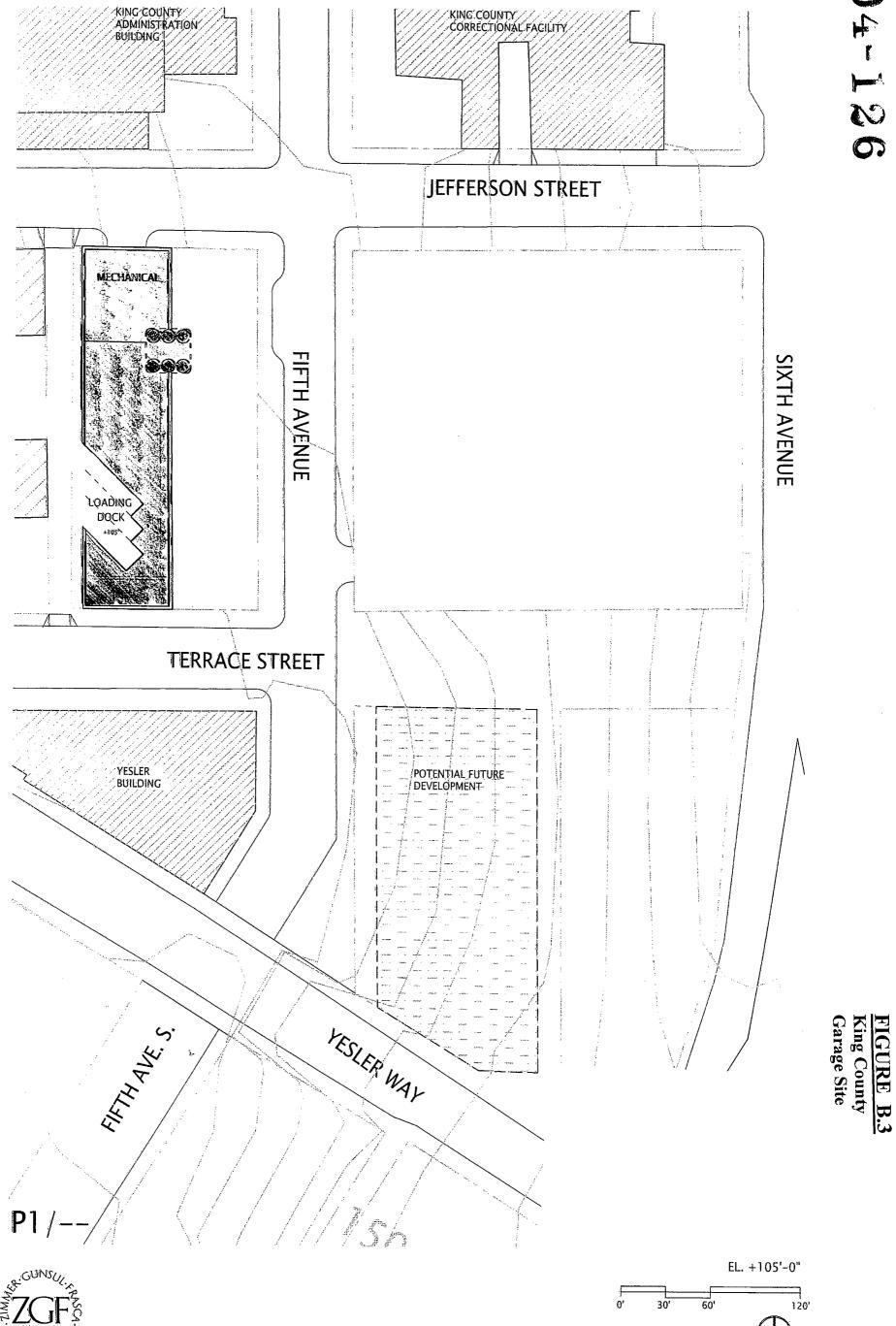


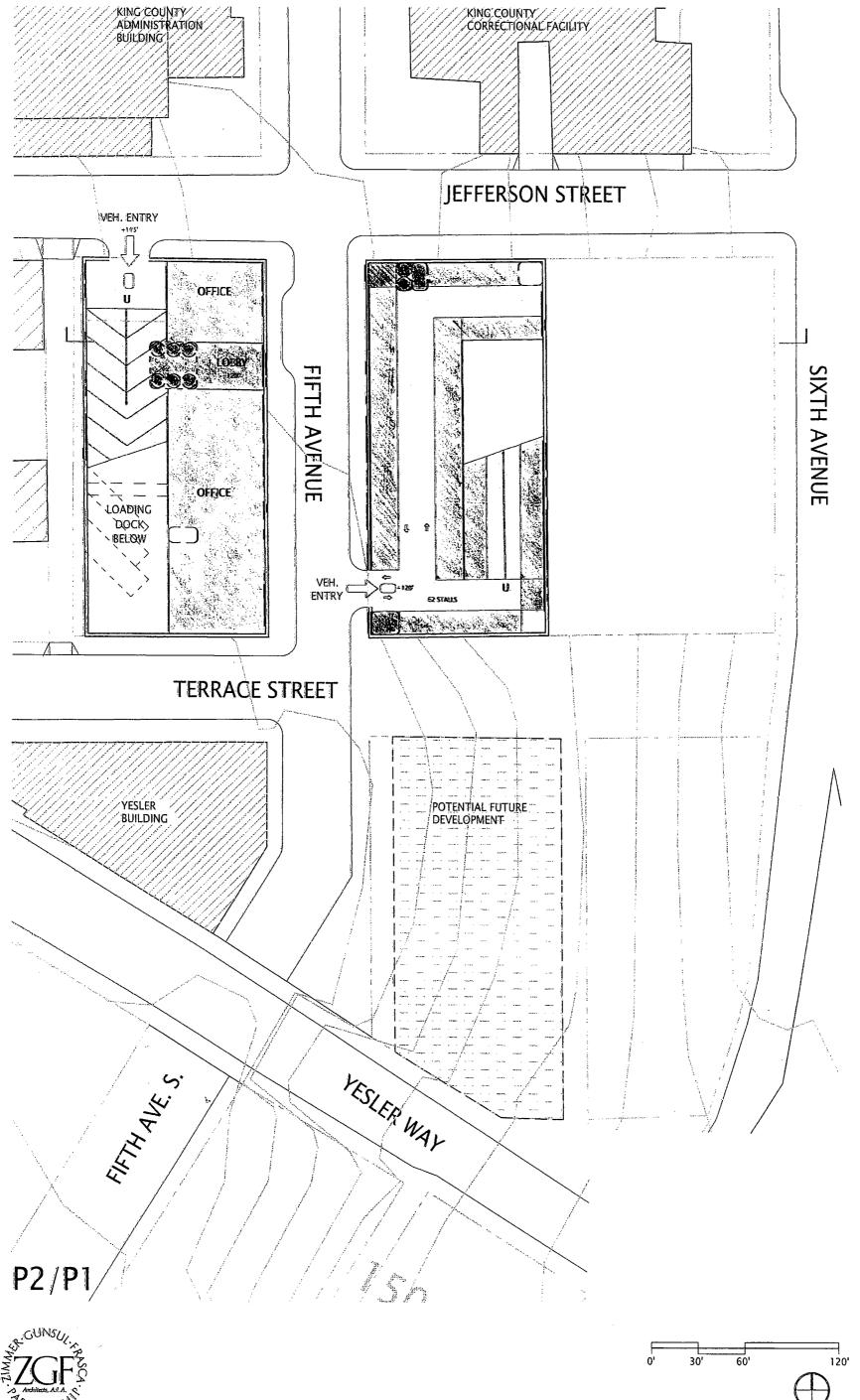


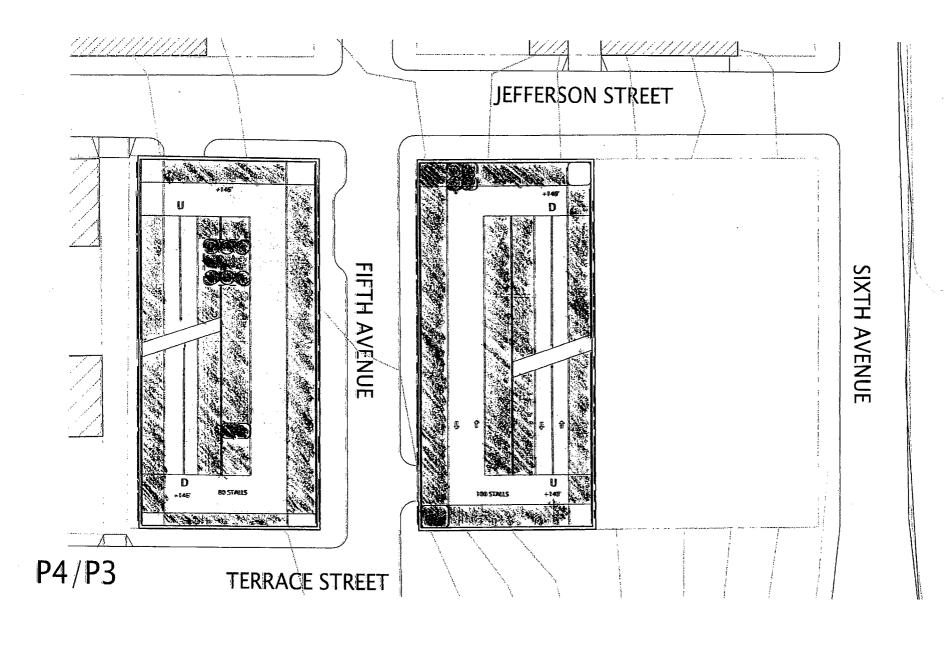
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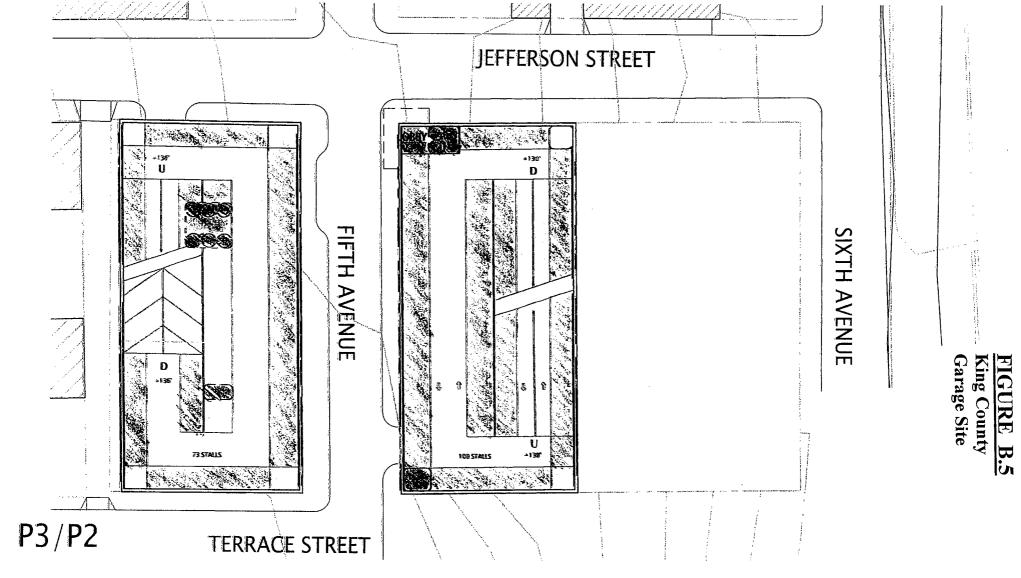


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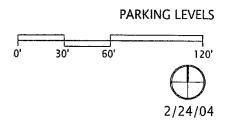
152 STALLS - NEW IKC OFFICE BUILDING

568 STALLS - EXISTING KC PARKING STRUCTURE

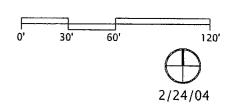
886 TOTAL STALLS REQUIRED

TOTAL STALLS WEST OF 5TH AVE = 248 STALLS TOTAL STALLS EAST OF 5TH AVE = 558 STALLS + 80 SURFACE STALLS TOTAL NEW STALLS PROVIDED = 886 STALLS





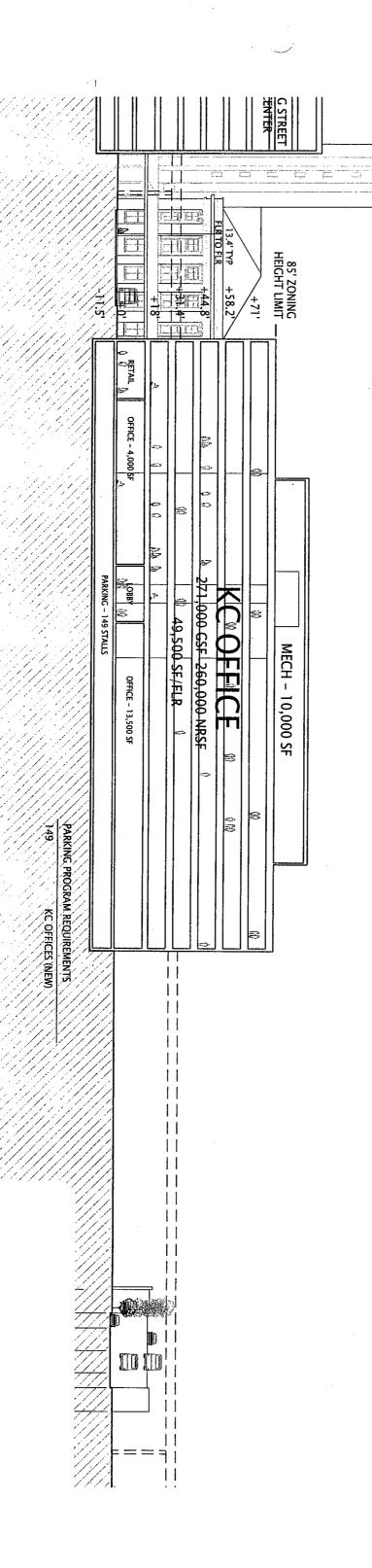




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FIGURE B.8
King County
Garage Site

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TOTAL SITE AREA

GENERAL ASSUMPTIONS:

WELLER STREET BRIDGE EASEMENT (40' \times 200') PSA LOT (235' \times 200') KC LOT (240' x 200')

KC GROSS OFFICE SQUARE FOOTAGE 103,000 SF 271,000 SF 48,000 SF 8,000 SF 47,000 SF

> 261,000 SF PARKING CALCULATIONS

-26 STALLS (15% REDUCTION W/TRANSIT PASSES)

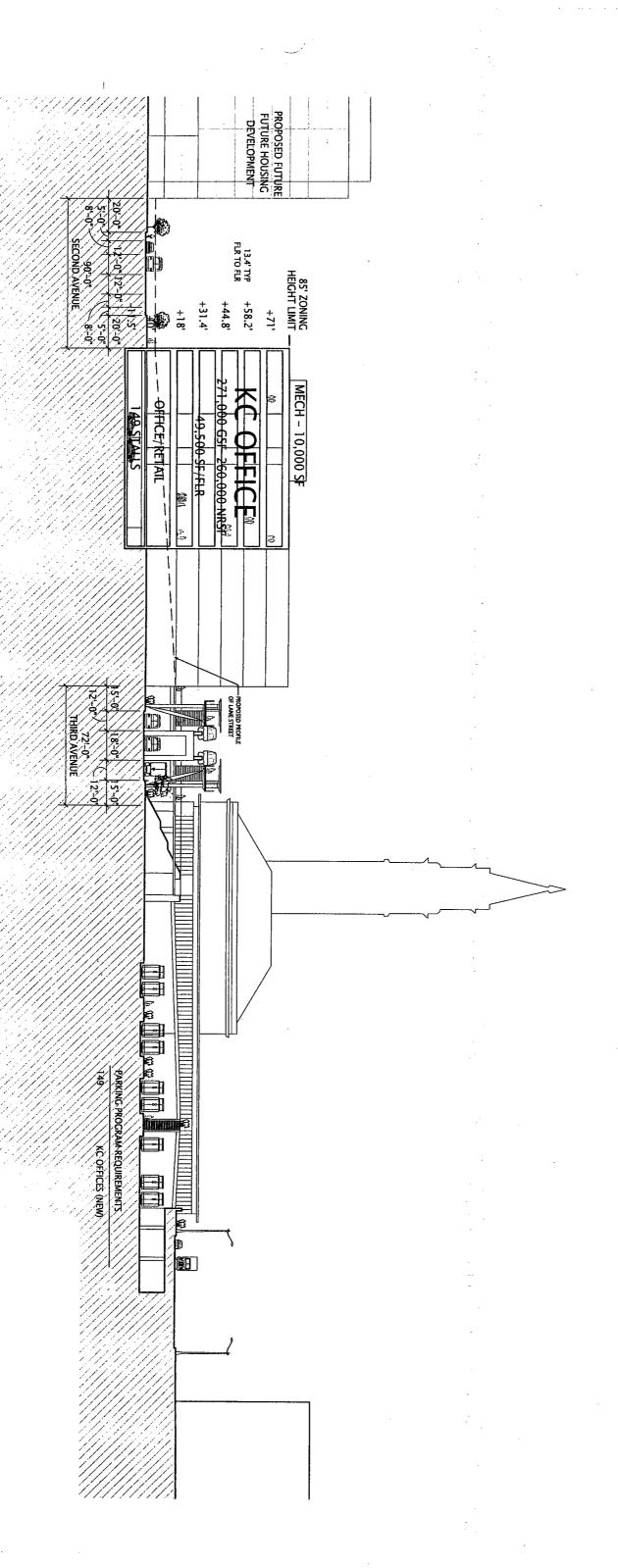
149 STALLS REQUIRED STALLS FOR NEW KC OFFICE BUILDING x.67 STALLS/1000 SF (CSF LESS 10,000 SF MECH)
ALLOWABLE PER CODE SUBTOTAL

OFFICE FLOOR AREAS

10,000 SF 12,600 SF 49,500 SF EA

271,000 SF

MECHANICAL (25% OF ROOF)
GROUND FLOOR OFFICE/LOADING
FIVE OFFICE LEVELS
TOTAL ASSUMED OFFICE GSF





GENERAL ASSUMPTIONS:

KC LOT (240' x 200')

KC GROSS OFFICE SQUARE FOOTAGE TOTAL SITE AREA

WELLER STREET BRIDGE EASEMENT (40' x 200')
PSA LOT (235' x 200')

103,000 SF 271,000 SF 48,000 SF 8,000 SF 47,000 SF 261,000 SF x.67 STALLS/1000 SF 175 STALLS (GSF LESS 10,000 SF MECH)
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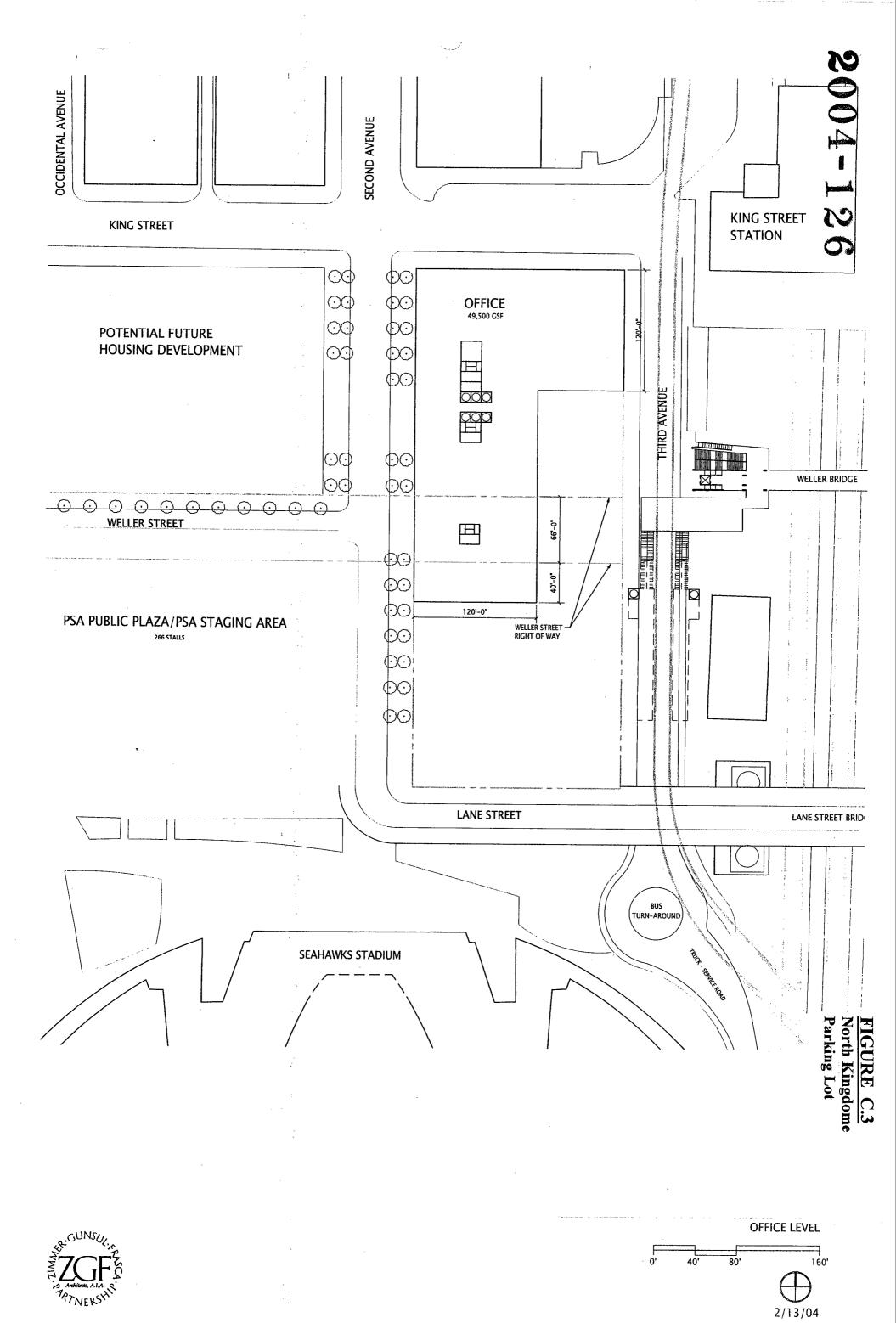
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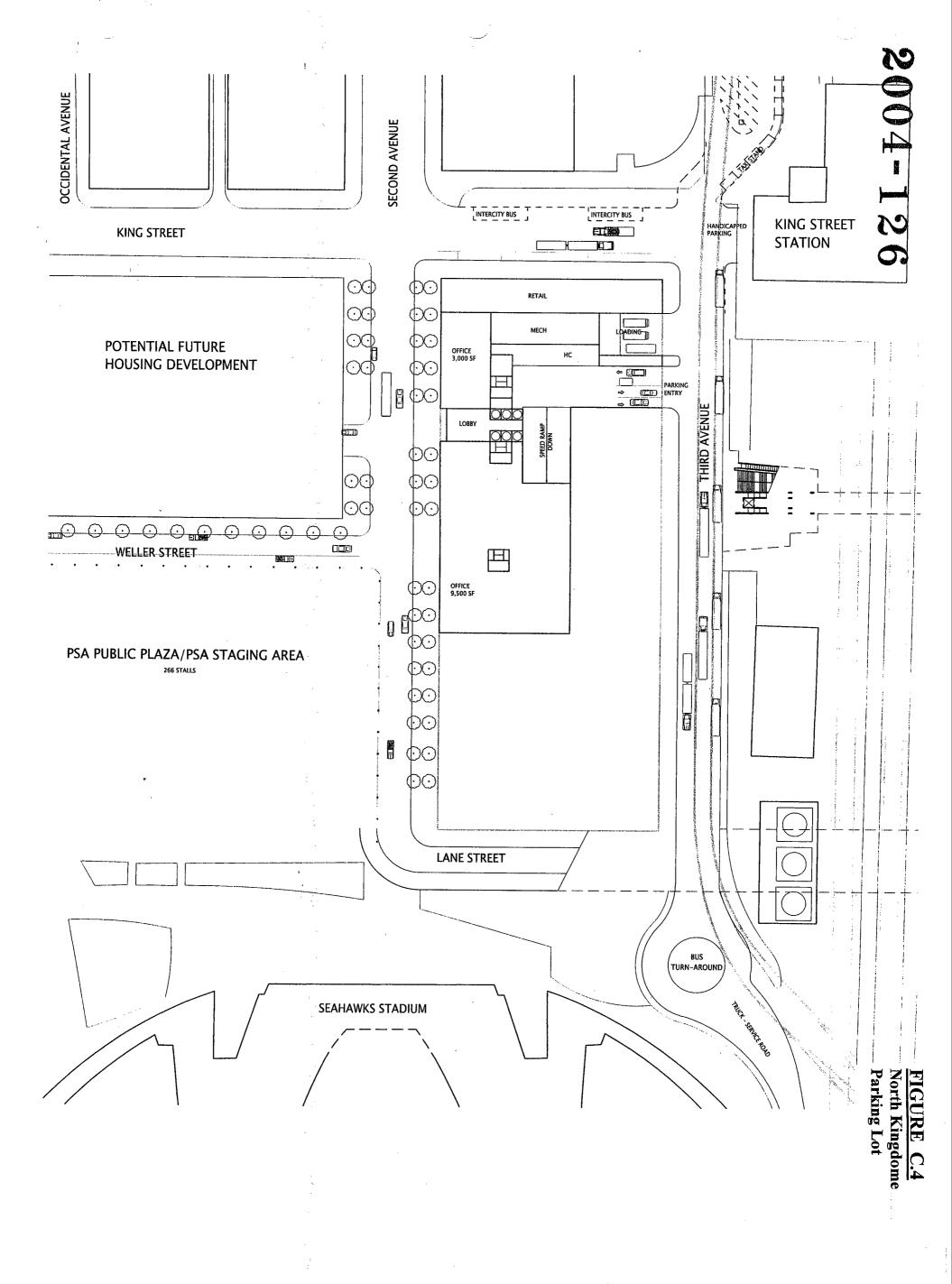
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NEW KC OFFICE BUILDING

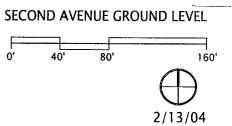
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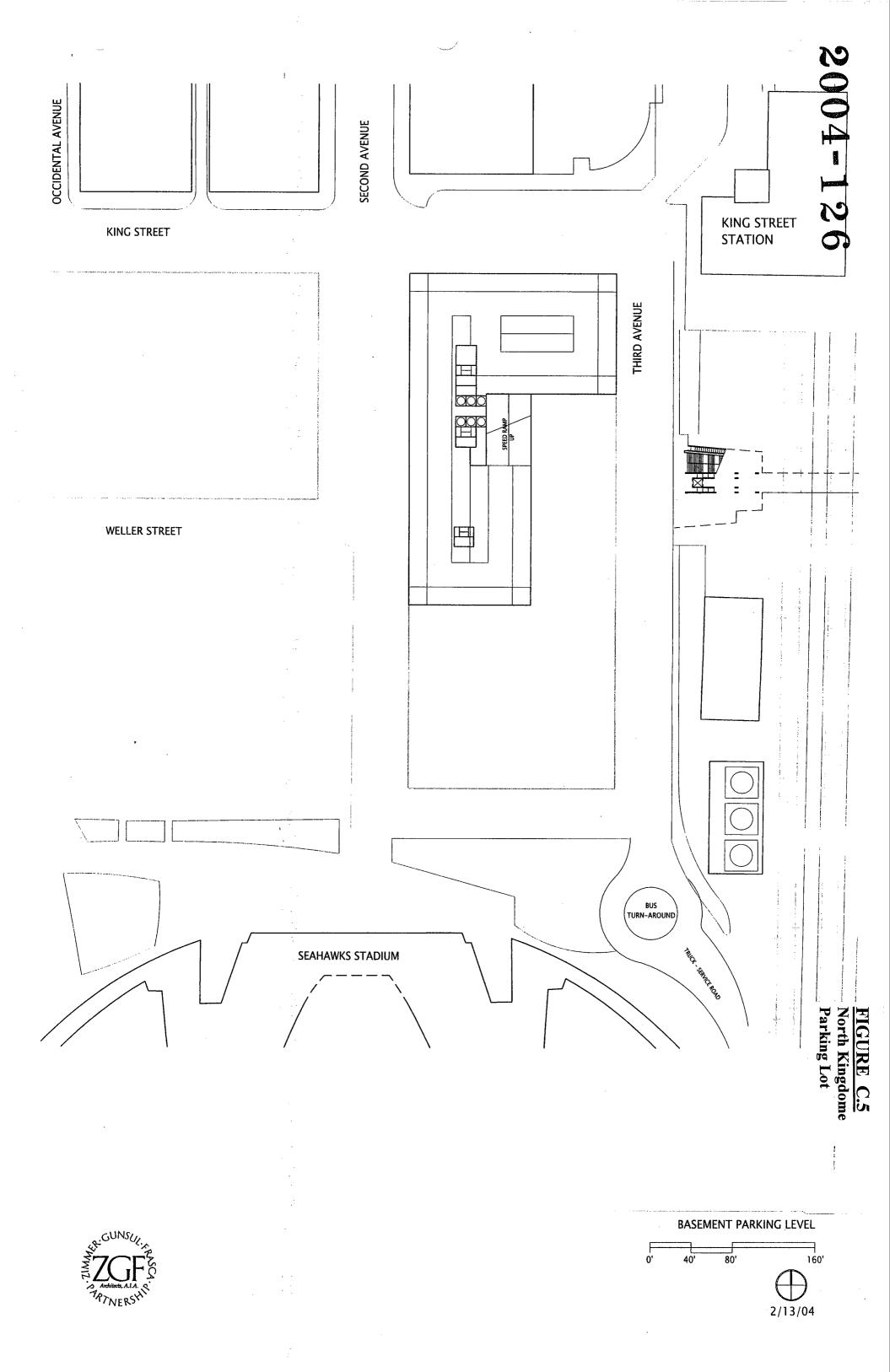
MECHANICAL (25% OF ROOF)
GROUND FLOOR OFFICE/LOADING
FIVE OFFICE LEVELS
TOTAL ASSUMED OFFICE GSF











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KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

Signature Report

December 9, 2003.

Ordinance 14812

Proposed No. 2003-0427.2.

Sponsors Phillips

1	AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appropriation of
2	\$1,212,000 to the building repair and replacement fund to
3	proceed with obtaining a master use permit and preliminary
· 4	design of an approximately 261,000-rentable-square-foot
5 ·	building and a steam plant, authorizing executive staff to
6	enter into a procurement process to select an appropriate
7.	nonprofit entity to serve as the required intermediary in an
8	IRS Regulation 63-20 finance structure, pursuant to the
9 .	requirements of KCC 4.56.190.B; and amending the 2003
10	Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 14517, Section 118 and
11	Attachment B, as amended.
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14	STATEMENT OF FACTS:
15	1. Numerous expert review panels and past studies have concluded that it
16	is in the county's best financial interest to transition from leased to owned
17	office space.

. 18	2. A recent study completed by the executive, titled An Approach to
19	Reducing King County Office Space Costs ("the report") has concluded
20	that substantial ongoing operating savings would be realized by
· 21	conversion from leased to owned office space.
22	3. The report has further concluded that additional ongoing savings of
23	significant magnitude would be achieved by constructing a new central
24	steam plant.
25	4. The critical functions of the Seattle-King County department of public
26	health, the King County finance and business operations division and the
27	King County information technology division would be located in the new
28	county office building, and perform critical functions that require
29	continuity of business in the event of a major earthquake. To maintain
30	business continuity, an older office building would need to be seismically
31	retrofit to a standard adopted for the King County Courthouse seismic
32	project.
33	5. Construction of a new county office building precludes the need for
34	expensive and risk laden retrofit and renovation of older office buildings
35	currently available for acquisition.
36	6. Construction of a new county office building provides for a better long-
37	term investment than acquisition of older office buildings currently
38	available for acquisition.
39	7. Construction of a new county office building would place all
40 .	construction risk on the private sector developer, while a retrofit of older
	and private sector developer, while a retrofit of older

office buildings currently available for acquisition would present a 42 substantial construction risk to the county. 43 8. In the event of future King County staffing reductions, a new office 44 building can more readily be subleased or sold than older office buildings 45 currently available for acquisition. 9. Construction of a new county office building provides considerable 46 47. qualitative benefits to the county, such as: modern systemic approach to 48 design and construction; best practice floor layout efficiencies; ability to 49 meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Standards **50** ("LEEDS"); lowest possible life cycle operating costs; appropriately sized 51 and designed parking facilities; greater value and marketability than an. 52 older building; and an efficient, compact King County Campus. 53 10. Consolidating the prosecuting attorney's office into the King County 54 Courthouse is consistent with the 2003 Space Plan, which designates the 55 King County Courthouse as a specialty building with heightened security, 56 housing law, safety and justice functions. 57 11. Operational efficiencies and better public service can be accomplished . 58 by consolidating the prosecuting attorney's office into the courthouse, and 59 the finance and business operations division into a new county office building. 60 61 12. Prior to establishing a budget for construction of a new county office 62 building, it is necessary to perform preconstruction work, such as 63 alternative site analysis, permitting and preliminary design.

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	13. Under K.C.C. 4.56.190.B, the request for proposal or invitation to bid
. 65	documents, for all new leases of real property for a term exceeding five
66	years, must be approved by the King County council, before the
67	advertisement and issuance of the request for proposal or invitation to bid.
68	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
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70	SECTION 1. Ordinance 14517, Section 118, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the following:
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	From several capital improvement projects there is hereby appropriated and
72	authorized to be disbursed the following amounts for the specific projects identified in
73	Attachment I of this ordinance:
74	Fund Capital Fund Name
75	3951 Building Repair and Replacement Fund \$1,212,000
76 .	SECTION 2. Executive staff is authorized to pursue a procurement process to
77	select an appropriate non-profit entity to serve as the required intermediary in an IRS
78	Regulation 63-20 financing structure, pursuant to the requirements of K.C.C. 4.56.190.B.
79	PROVIDED THAT:
80	Of this appropriation for CIP project number 395209, King County Office
81	Building Feasibility, \$400,000 may not be expended or encumbered until the executive
82	submits a report and assess:
83	submits a report and council approves by motion the following report:
	A. The executive shall submit to the budget and fiscal management committee or
84	its successor a report outlining a project plan for the project. The report shall include a
35	summary of the scope of work as defined by tasks and,
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B: A project schedule indicating start dates and duration for all scope tasks. Project milestone points shall be included indicating quarterly council review points and all required council approval points. Council review and approval of site selection process and recommendation will be required. The schedule shall identify all scheduled deliverables.

C. A project budget integrated with project scope tasks and indicating breakdown of budgets by King County staff and consultants. Key project staff shall be identified.

D. The report shall include a review of the various options available to King County for possible use of the land liquidity revenues proposed by the executive in the report entitled An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs. The report shall include advantages and disadvantages for each of the options proposed and conclude with a recommended preferred alternative together with reasons.

The report must be filed in the form of 15 copies with the clerk of the council and the chair lead of the budget and fiscal management committee or its successor on or before January 30, 2004.

PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:

Of the appropriation for CIP project number 395209, King County Office Building Feasibility, \$200,000 shall be expended only in quarterly increments of \$50,000 after council receives a quarterly report as described below. The quarterly report shall include a project status of tasks and project activities, project budget status, project schedule indicating completed tasks against planned schedule, critical elements, and next steps. The quarterly reports must be filed in the form of 15 copies with the clerk of the council and the chair and lead staff of the budget and fiscal management committee or its

109	successor by March 31, 2004; June 30, 2004; September 30, 2004; and December 13,
110	2004.
111	PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:
112	Of the appropriation for CIP project number 395209, King County Office
113	Building Feasibility, \$150,000 may not be expended or encumbered until the executive
114	submits a report and council approves by motion the following report:
115	A feasibility report to convert work release space in the King County courthouse
116	to either office space or other existing compatible courthouse functions. The analysis
117	shall include options to relocate work release to other more suitable space such as the
118	west wing of the King County Corrections Facility or other suitable location in the
119	community. The analysis shall be coordinated with the King County Corrections Facility
120	Integrated Security Project schedule as appropriate and be consistent with the goals of
121	other law safety justice efforts including Adult Justice Operational Master Plan (AJOMP)
122	and Juvenile Justice Operational Master Plan (JJOMP). The analysis shall include capital
123	project cost estimates and a life cycle analysis.
124	The report must be filed in the form of 15 copies with the clerk of the council and
125	the chair lead staff of the budget and fiscal management committee or its successor on or
126	before May 3, 2004.
127	PROVIDED FURTHER THAT:
128	Of this appropriation for CIP project number 395210, King County Office
129	Building Feasibility, \$250,000 may not be expended or encumbered until the executive
130	submits a report and council approves by motion the following report:

A reevaluation report of the central steam plant feasibility study by R. W. Beck, contained in the report entitled An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs, dated September 15, 2003. The report shall include a response to the report prepared by Seattle Steam entitled Analysis of King County Steam Plant Reports, dated December 2, 2003. The report shall also be coordinated with Seattle Steam Company contract agreements with King County and Harborview Medical Center and include a legal interpretation of the terms of these agreements. The report shall include recommendations and clearly identify how these recommendations comport with the recommendations contained in the report entitled An Approach to Reducing King County Office Space Costs. The report must be filed in the form of 15 copies with the clerk of the council and the chair and lead staff of the budget and fiscal management committee or its successor by March 31, 2004.

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Signature Report

December 9, 2003

1200 King County Courthouse 516 Third Avenue Seattle, WA 98104

2004-126

Ordinance 14812

Proposed No. 2003-0427.2.

Sponsors Phillips

	AN ORDINANCE making a supplemental appropriation of
2	\$1,212,000 to the building repair and replacement fund to
3	proceed with obtaining a master use permit and preliminary
4	design of an approximately 261,000-rentable-square-foot
5	building and a steam plant, authorizing executive staff to
6	enter into a procurement process to select an appropriate
1	nonprofit entity to serve as the required intermediary in an
8	IRS Regulation 63-20 finance structure, pursuant to the
9	requirements of KCC 4.56.190.B; and amending the 2003
10	Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 14517, Section 118 and
11	Attachment B, as amended.
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, 14 ST	TATEMENT OF FACTS:
15 1.	Numerous expert review panels and past studies have concluded that it
16 is:	in the county's best financial interest to transition from leased to owned

18	2. A recent study completed by the executive, titled An Approach to
19	Reducing King County Office Space Costs ("the report") has concluded
20	that substantial ongoing operating savings would be realized by
21	conversion from leased to owned office space.
22	3. The report has further concluded that additional ongoing savings of
23	significant magnitude would be achieved by constructing a new central
24	steam plant.
25	4. The critical functions of the Seattle-King County department of public
26	health, the King County finance and business operations division and the
27	King County information technology division would be located in the new
28	county office building, and perform critical functions that require
29	continuity of business in the event of a major earthquake. To maintain
30	business continuity, an older office building would need to be seismically
31	retrofit to a standard adopted for the King County Courthouse seismic
32	project.
33	5. Construction of a new county office building precludes the need for
34	expensive and risk laden retrofit and renovation of older office buildings
35 '	currently available for acquisition.
36	6. Construction of a new county office building provides for a better long-
37	term investment than acquisition of older office buildings currently
38	available for acquisition.
39	7. Construction of a new county office building would place all
40 .	construction risk on the private sector developer, while a retrofit of older

office buildings currently available for acquisition would present a substantial construction risk to the county. 42 43 8. In the event of future King County staffing reductions, a new office 44 building can more readily be subleased or sold than older office buildings 45 currently available for acquisition. 46 9. Construction of a new county office building provides considerable 47. qualitative benefits to the county, such as: modern systemic approach to 48 design and construction; best practice floor layout efficiencies; ability to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Standards 49 ("LEEDS"); lowest possible life cycle operating costs; appropriately sized **50** 51 and designed parking facilities; greater value and marketability than an 52 older building; and an efficient, compact King County Campus. 53 10. Consolidating the prosecuting attorney's office into the King County Courthouse is consistent with the 2003 Space Plan, which designates the 54 55 King County Courthouse as a specialty building with heightened security, 56 housing law, safety and justice functions. 57 11. Operational efficiencies and better public service can be accomplished . 58 by consolidating the prosecuting attorney's office into the courthouse, and 59 the finance and business operations division into a new county office building. 60 61 12. Prior to establishing a budget for construction of a new county office building, it is necessary to perform preconstruction work, such as 62

alternative site analysis, permitting and preliminary design.

6	4 13 Under V. C. C. A. F.
	13. Under K.C.C. 4.56.190.B, the request for proposal or invitation to bid
. 6	documents, for all new leases of real property for a term exceeding five
-6	years, must be approved by the King County council, before the
67	advertisement and issuance of the request for proposal or invitation to bid.
68	BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:
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70	SECTION 1. Ordinance 14517, Section 118, as amended, is hereby amended by adding thereto and inserting therein the following:
71	From several capital improvement projects there is hereby appropriated and
72	authorized to be disbursed the following amounts for the specific projects identified in
73	Attachment I of this ordinance:
74	Fund Capital Fund Name Amount
75 .	3951 Building Repair and Replacement Fund \$1,212,000
76	SECTION 2. Executive staff is authorized to pursue a procurement process to
77	select an appropriate non-profit entity to serve as the required intermediary in an IRS
78	Regulation 63-20 financing structure, pursuant to the requirements of K.C.C. 4.56.190.B.
79	PROVIDED THAT:
.80	Of this appropriation for CIP project number 395209, King County Office
81	Building Feasibility, \$400,000 may not be expended or encumbered until the executive
82	submits a report and council approves by motion the following report:
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84	its successor a report outlining a project plan for the project. The report shall include a
35	summary of the scope of work as defined by tasks and,

B: A project schedule indicating start dates and duration for all scope tasks.

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123	project cost estimates and a life cycle analysis.
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