



PREPARED FOR THE URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

**Project Address:** 115 W. Doty Street  
**Application Type:** Public Building, Dane County Jail Consolidation – Informational Presentation  
**Legistar File ID #** [57747](#)  
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## Background Information

**Applicant | Contact:** Dane County/Jan Horsfall, Potter Lawson, Inc./Chris Harp, Mead & Hunt

**Project Description:** The applicant will present an Informational Presentation to consolidate the Public Safety Building (PSB) Jail, the City-County Building (CCB) Jail and the Ferris Huber Center with an addition to the south side of the existing PSB.

**Project Schedule:**

- The development team is planning to submit a land use application later this year. Staff understands the applicant is currently planning to make a second informational presentation prior to filing the formal application.

**Approval Standards:**

The UDC will be an **approving body** on this future Public Building request. Per MGO Section 33.24(4)(d), UDC approval is required for Public Buildings. The UDC will be advisory on the future PD Alteration request. As with any Planned Development, the Urban Design Commission is required to provide a recommendation to the Plan Commission with specific findings on the design objectives listed in Zoning Code sections 28.098(1), Statement of Purpose, and (2), Standards for Approval.

## Summary of Design Considerations and Recommendations

Planning Division staff requests that the UDC provide feedback on the site layout & access, building massing & scale, exterior design & appearance of all principal structures, and landscape designs for the proposed development. Staff also recommends the Commission provide feedback based on the applicable approval standards for a Planned Development.

The proposed alteration project was reviewed by the Development Assistance Team (DAT) on September 19, 2019. Planning staff advised the design team to study and respond to the pedestrian experience on Doty Street with the “back of house” program elements are shown. Additionally, staff has requested that the applicant pay careful attention to the building’s “long views” and that any mechanical projections into the Capitol Height View Limit be eliminated or minimized.