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Neighborhood: Greenwood/Phinney Ridge

The Aurora location for the proposed jail makes very little sense for the city and imposes challenges to a newly improved neighborhood. The location is furthest from downtown, which not only costs more for transport (fuel, vehicle use, etc.) but also poses significant safety issues incurred through longer prisoner transport distances. The Aurora neighborhood, furthermore, requires the city's help, not hindrance. The neighborhood is starting to transition but will continue to need efforts. The area also has the largest concentration of residences amongst the jail sites. The same goes for the highest number of schools within a mile. I hope the city will consider these issues very seriously and oppose the Aurora site. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely,

Adam Chapman

Name: Douglas Richardson

Neighborhood: Broadview/Bitter Lake

Considering the city's chronic inability to provide sidewalks, sewers, improved streets in the area, police that show up when called, I'll be voting against the current office holders if the Aurora site selection is selected. Enough is enough, the Aurora Ave. area is in dire need of a face lift and putting a jail in the neighborhood will only perpetuate the issues our community has faced on our own for decades. The city of Seattle continually serves itself at the expense of our tax dollars without providing what I consider to be extremely basic services that were to be provided via annexation 50 years ago. Shame on you! Let's build it up on Queen Anne, next to the mayor's house.