

Comments received via <http://www.seattle.gov/municipaljail/questions.htm>
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I am writing to voice my opposition to having a jail built off of Aurora Ave N. My wife, seven month old son, and I live on 122nd and Fremont (literally a stone's throw from Putz's Golf). We purchased our house 4 years ago and have put a lot of sweat equity into making it a home where we can raise our little boy Jack. I have also been excited to see many other young couples moving into this area and doing the same. It would be just devastating to the community's sense of safety (not to mention our house prices) to have a prison built just blocks away. Residential neighborhoods and a number of schools are right next to the proposed location. I have seen great progress in the sprucing up of North Seattle but a prison in our backyard would just ruin that progress and solidify North Seattle as the blight of the town. I cannot imagine why (of the 36 proposed spots) an industrial area away from residential communities and schools was not chosen.