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Fact Sheet
Public Safety Investment

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Today’s proposal for a significant investment in public safety to consolidate Sheriff’s Office operations and relocate the Metro Nashville Police Department Headquarters comes after nearly a year of analysis.

The study concluded that compared to renovation, new construction would save Metro Government money, give public safety operations room to grow and ultimately provide better protection to citizens.

RENOVATE		RELOCATE	
\$61 M	Renovate Sheriff’s operations at Criminal Justice Center	\$110 M	Construction of Sheriff’s Office consolidated complex at Harding Place
\$12 M	Temporarily relocate inmates	\$23 M	Construction of MNPDP headquarters on Jefferson Street
\$22 M	Renovate MNPDP headquarters at Criminal Justice Center	\$10 M	Construction of new South Precinct in Southeast
\$2.5 M	Temporarily relocate MNPDP headquarters	\$6 M	Construction/moving costs of other MNPDP functions
\$15 M	Renovate Hill Detention Center	\$149 M	Total Estimated Cost
\$11 M	Renovate Jerry Newson Center		
\$4 M	Renovate Trial Lawyers Building		
\$127.5 M	Total Estimated Cost		

Why something must be done

- The Criminal Justice Center facilities on Second Avenue North have reached end-of life.
 - Major failure of infrastructure is imminent (including mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire protection, elevators and roofing systems).
 - Water infiltration issues are ongoing and require invasive foundation and envelope repairs.
- Building access is limited for public and staff.

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- Building conditions create increased risk for staff and inmates.
- CJC is on 24/7 fire watch by staff due to inoperable fire protection systems.
- Operationally, the Sheriff's Office could provide public safety and security improvements if it were centralized, and Metro Police operations have evolved into a decentralized neighborhood concept better served in a different location.

Cost Savings

Relocation aligns operational potential for both Davidson County Sheriff's Office and Metro Nashville Police Department with comparable financial investment.

- Sheriff's Office consolidation would locate on existing Metro-owned land with other correctional facilities.
- Metro Police headquarters would be located on vacant land that has no residential or commercial land use value.
- Annual savings in Sheriff's operating budget of at least \$3 million due to reduced staff requirements, maintenance and utility costs.

Safety

Proposal would lead to increased public safety and security.

- Sheriff's Office would be centralized at one location instead of three.
- Inmate movements throughout Davidson County would decrease dramatically.
- Improved police response time due to strategic location of mobile booking units.

Efficiencies

Improved efficiencies across the facilities would be realized.

- Shared resources at Sheriff's Office Complex, such as kitchen and laundry
- Allows for improved public access at all locations

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