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the entire facility. Also, the construction will be concrete which, in the event of flooding, will not sustain large amounts of damage.

Harris noted that there was the possibility of containing the water with a dike. Dick remarked that, in the past, a dike in this area had to be cut to release water.

Dick also inquired as to how this expansion would effect field operations regarding release and intake and Glanz replied that this was undecided at this time, however, he would be working closely with the City in this matter.

Benjamin noted that the citizens in this area are concerned about safety and possible escape from the facility. Glanz stated that he would like to fence the entire facility to increase security. Additionally, this design is much more secure than the present facility is now.

Benjamin presented Glanz with literature on modular cells, noting that this type of cells might aid in later expansion.

Hogue asked if this expansion would be used in the future if a new facility was built. Selph explained that in all expansion plans, a drug and alcohol detox unit had been planned for this facility if a new jail was built. Because of the fact that approximately 25 per cent of all prisoners have drug or alcohol problems, removing them from plans for a new facility would cut the costs and present facilities could provide a place for them.

Harris inquired as to the appearance of the new facility, and Coleman replied that everything possible would be done to make it pleasing in appearance while staying within the budget restrictions. Selph remarked that he was pleased the new fence would be more appealing.

Glanz informed the group that he is applying for grant money which would fund a diagnostic study of alcohol and drug problems for prisoners as they are taken into the system. He would like to have some area for treatment of these problems.

Glanz noted that the National Institute of Corrections will fund site visits for three people to visit other jail sites. A group will need to be selected to do this and then come back and make recommendations within the funds available for a final concept.

Rice explained that a decision would have to be made as to whether the City will be able to make the funds available to the County and then the County proceed with the necessary design work, bidding procedures, etc. Rice also remarked that he believes the City will give priority to funding this project, that the County should proceed with the plans, etc., and that everything will be closely coordinated with the City.

Selph stated that he had met with Susan Savage and Ron Payne and if the City legal staff agrees, the City will have no problem with turning the funds over to the County. At that time, we will then select an architect and proceed with the plans.