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Les,

Here is a brief rundown on what I have:

- 1) Meeting at the Stevenson Unit was productive and helped establish some items:
  - a. There is really only one location for the chapel. This would be to the left of the entry beyond the existing fence which would allow for good visibility and an area where the building should fit.
  - b. The building will most likely need to be a bit wider and shorter than Hondo, but we will need to see what Hondo did to make sure.
  - c. It looks like there are minimal utilities in this area which will help on cost as we won't be relocating anything.
  - d. We have asked the Warden if we could get the original soil tests done when the jail was built. This would keep us from having to drill test holes.
  - e. There will be some drainage issues which may require swales and or underground piping to get water away from the building. These would be connected to downspouts on the facility.
  - f. It appears there are close hookups for water, sewer (there is a manhole about 50 yards from the proposed structure) and electrical infrastructure. Also a positive for cost.
  - g. If we keep the chapel capacity at or below 300, we probably will not have to sprinkle the building. Rough savings of 40,000 - \$50,000.00.
  - h. We anticipate the building to be 85 X 100 or 75 x 115 or so. We think that everything required should fit in the 8,500 – 9,000 sf. This will be a metal building shell with block walls.
  - i. We anticipate the cost to build inside the facility will be about 25% over normal construction costs. After we visit Hondo and see the style that was approved, we should be able to get a pretty much precise work scope and budget.

We will be ready to go see Hondo whenever we can get into the facility. I think the Warden (Castro) will be amenable to what we design if it follows closely with what Hondo is doing. That should also help us get it approved by TDCJ when the time comes.

Sincerely,

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