

**2023 SPLOST Sheriff Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 9th, 2024 – 6:15 P.M.
General Services, 1329 Portman Dr. Suite J, Conyers, GA 30094**

1. **Call to Order:** SPLOST Sub-Committee Michael Sellers called them meeting at 6:15 pm
2. **Attendees:**
 - a. **SPLOST Members:** Josh Bettenhausen, Roger Cannon (Subcommittee Co-Chair), Michael Sellers (Subcommittee Chair), Sandra Weatherly, Yvonne Ducan, and Charles Staples (SPLOST Chair).
 - b. **County Staff:** Sheriff Eric J. Levett, Sheriff's Office; Michael Robinson, General Services Program Director, Markus Milon, General Services Capital Projects Manager, Ariana Nava, General Services Administrative Operations Coordinator
 - c. **Not Present:** Pamela Perdue
3. **Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Subcommittee Chair Michael Seller to approve the agenda, seconded by Sandra Weatherly, passed unanimously to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried.**
4. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Subcommittee Chair Michael Seller to approve the minutes, seconded by Sandra Weatherly. **Motion Carried.**
5. **SPLOST Chair Remarks:** Subcommittee Chair Michael Seller explained the reasoning the subcommittee could not have a tour of the Mental Health Ward was due to Safety reasons.
6. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Josh Bettenhausen reminded the Subcommittee that there were members requesting a tour of the county women's Facility. Bettenhausen recommended to have the tour of the women's facility when the mental health ward would be available.

7. **New Business:**

- a. Michael Robinson, General Services Program Director, stated he will no longer be the liaison for the Sheriff Subcommittee and Dominick Villano, General Services Deputy Director, will take on the role.
- b. The Mental Health Ward project update was given, and progress photos shown by Markus Millon, General Services Project Manager.
- c. Sheriff Eric J. Levett provided data regarding the current inmates to beds and that they are currently implementing processes to help inmates with mental health.
- d. Discussion proceeded about the communication between different facilities within the county in relation to mental health. Sheriff Eric J. Levett has confirmed the establishment of a committee with the hospital to discuss mental health issues and improve the handling of certain situations. The Restorative Justice Complex will be established as a place to refer individuals, as the Mental Health Ward is a place for individuals who have committed a crime and are dealing with mental health issues.

8. **Public Comment:** None

9. **SPLOST Member Comments:**

- a. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples raised concerns about the county's sensitivity to restroom changes and its preparation for future changes. Josh Bettenhausen added that the Subcommittee wants to ensure the Mental Health Ward will be versatile.
- b. Josh Bettenhausen suggested the county considers having a Rockdale Summit for mental health, once the Restorative Justice Complex has been completed, establishing communication between different entities in the county and the community.
- c. SPLOST Chairperson Charles Staples presented the Courthouse's motion for the parking deck, which would be recommended at the following Oversight Committee meeting.

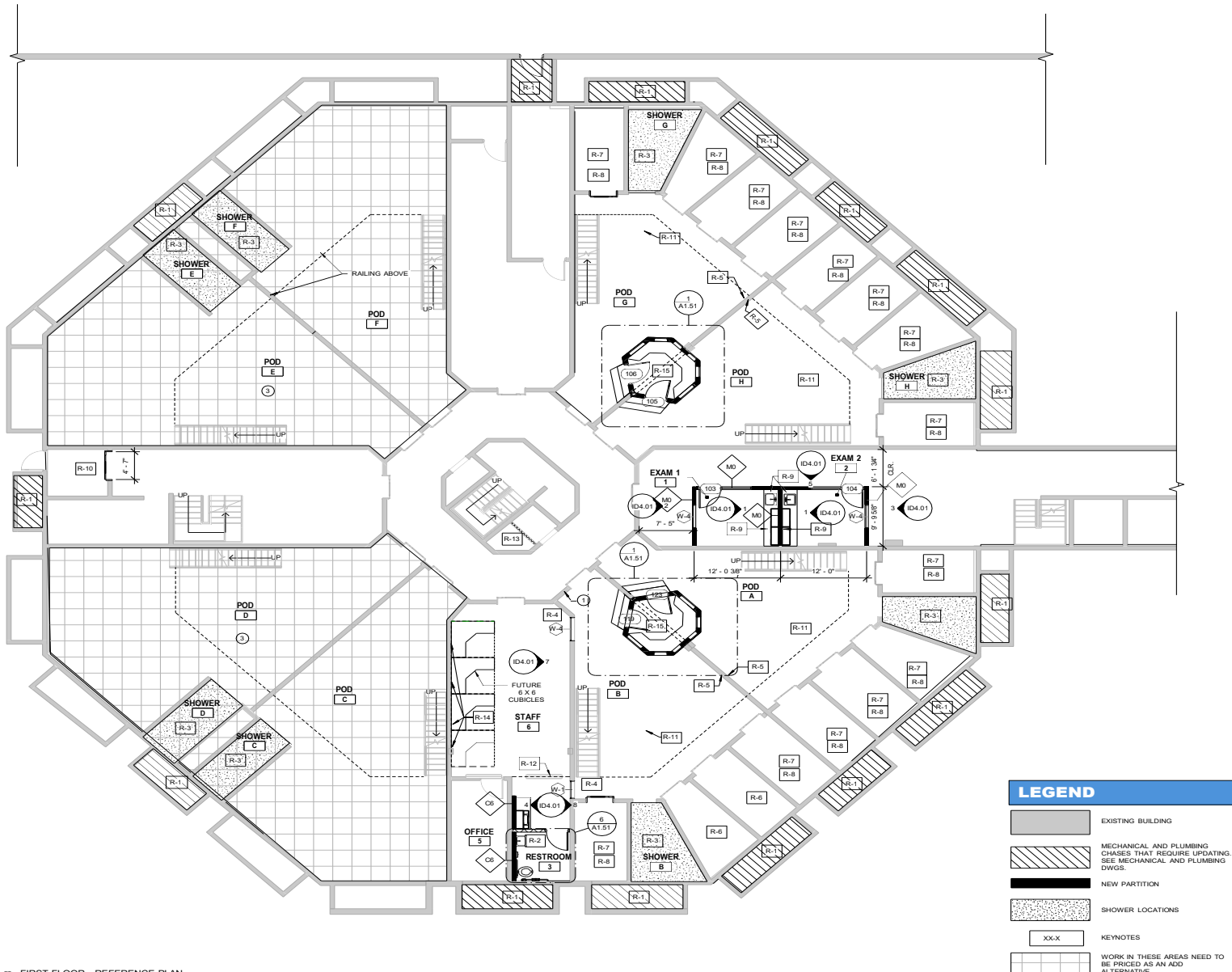
10. **Adjournment:** There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

- a. **Next Meeting:** *Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 6:00pm*

Rockdale County Jail Mental Health Ward

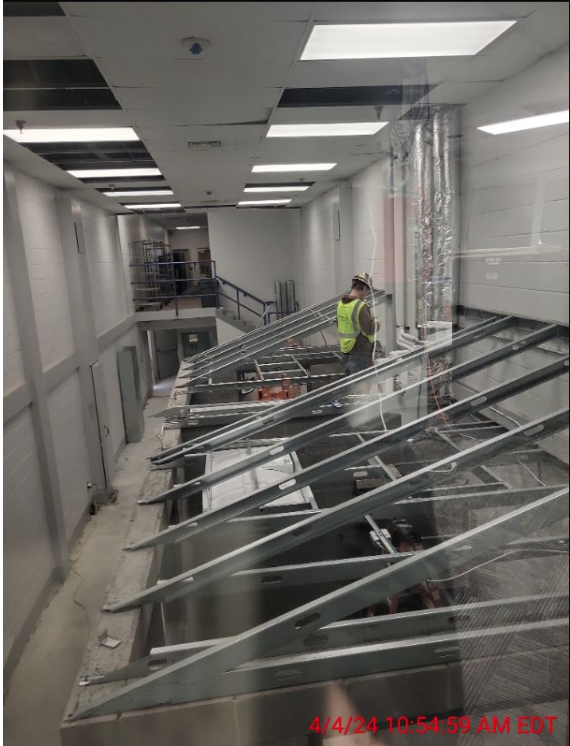
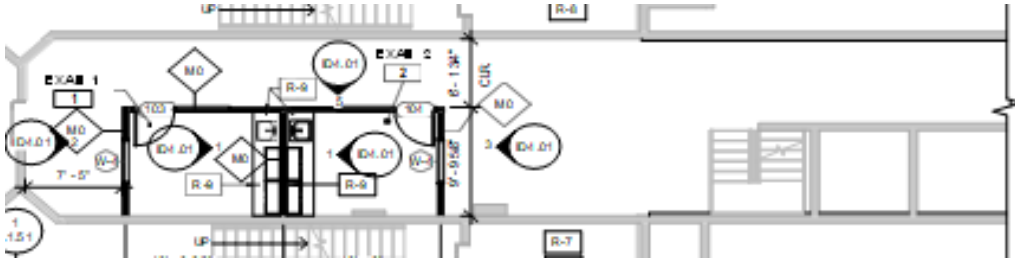
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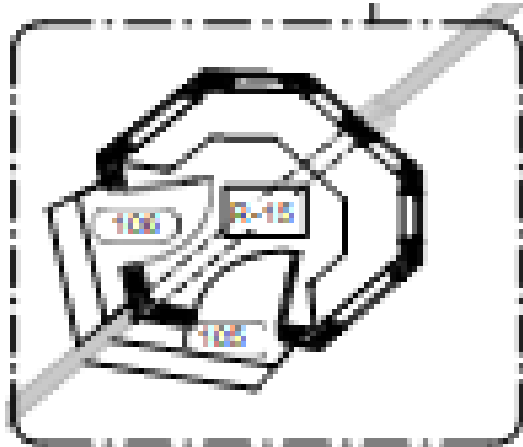


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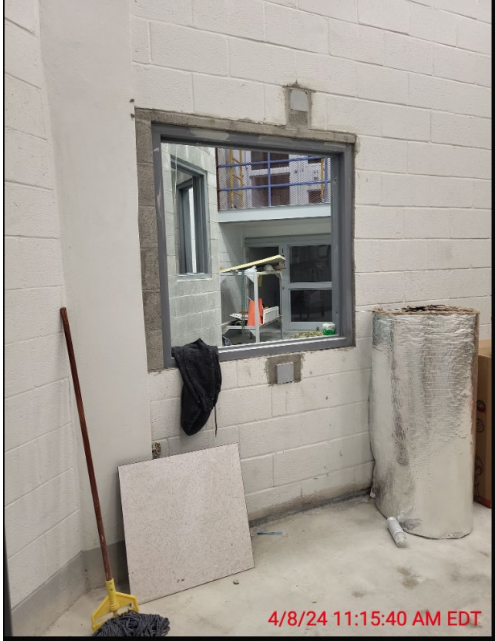
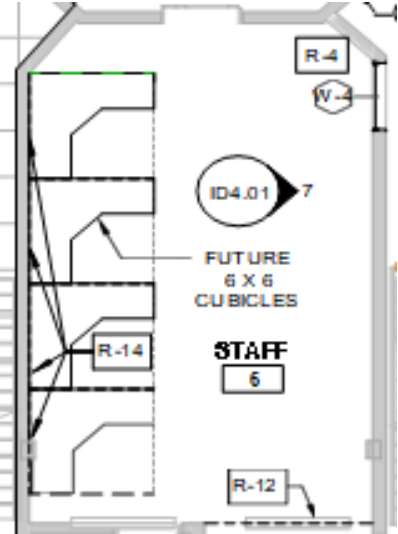
Exam Room



Observation Rooms



Staff Office



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Doughnut Restroom



Cell Common Showers

