

Minutes from DANA meeting, November 9, 2010

Tom Hockensmith spoke and updated the group on activities ongoing in Polk County that the supervisors are working on.

They are working on trying to find space for the county judicial system. They are looking at this in three phases.

1. Purchase old Penny's building and renovate it to make court rooms and offices.
2. Remodel old main jail into 14 court rooms, and redo historic polk co court house.
3. Add a juvenile building-several years from now.

The supervisors are also working on Vets Auditorium remodeling. Tom has previously had spoken to DANA about wanting to do something with the Polk County Convention Complex building. It is far enough away from Vets Auditorium that is difficult to use the building efficiently. They are looking at ways to better utilize the complex. Rather than put a lot of money into that building that needs a lot of updates, they are taking some of the seats out of Vets and making one floor into 2 floors, and making smaller rooms with movable walls, so they can make one large room into many small rooms and use it for many different types of venues. They are trying to get money from Prairie Meadows to help pay for this. For the current loaned money they have from Prairie Meadows, they have just extended this 4 years so they can do this project as well. Remodeling at Vets I hopefully will be completed and opened in January 2012. Vets Auditorium is still going to be there to honor veterans. There will be a memorial kiosk, and there will be a memorabilia wall to show old shows and performances that have been at Vets.

Tom thinks the area around the new Bass Pro Shop in Altoona will burst with other shops now that the road is repaired and widened around it.

Nadine Hogate and John Rowen from the Neighborhood Revitalization Board spoke. DANA is a designated neighborhood, and by working to become designated we gained the opportunity to get the streets and sidewalks in our neighborhood upgraded. The NRB has been around 20 years, and they helped get this for our neighborhood. Neil Westergaard is the chairman of the NRB. The NRB does 3 things: help poor with finding resources to help, help neighborhood boards with various things, and help with downtown things. They do a lot with housing for the poor. NRB advocates to help improve the neighborhoods.

NRB programs include scrub days, neighborhood based police officers, community action agencies for energy assistance, aging resources, food pantry, neighborhood garden project, bus pass assistance, NFC. They help with are neighborhood conservation service (emergency repairs). They rehab homes, depending on owner's income. The NFC also has the lending tool library back open.

They also asked if anyone wants to be a member of the NRB. The board meets on the first Wednesday of each month.

The City of Des Moines website has a sign up for energy assistance.

John Rowen is also the Weed commissioner. His phone is 286-3005.

Linda Westergaard talked about the snow ordinance. People will need to get cars off the street when the snow starts so streets can get plowed. If cars are not moved off the street they will be ticketed.

Next DANA meeting is January 11, 2011 at 6 pm. There will be a lasagna dinner provided by Hy-Vee.

Anyone wanting to volunteer for the DANA Board is welcome. We also need someone to edit the newsletter.

On December 16, from noon to 6 pm, Edward Jones Investments is having an open house and ribbon cutting for their new office on E. Euclid Ave.

Two entertainment books were given away in a drawing. Winners were Betty Lou Southern and Walt Foley.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Stangl
DANA Secretary



Fifth Judicial District Master Plan and Old Main Jail Adaptive Reuse



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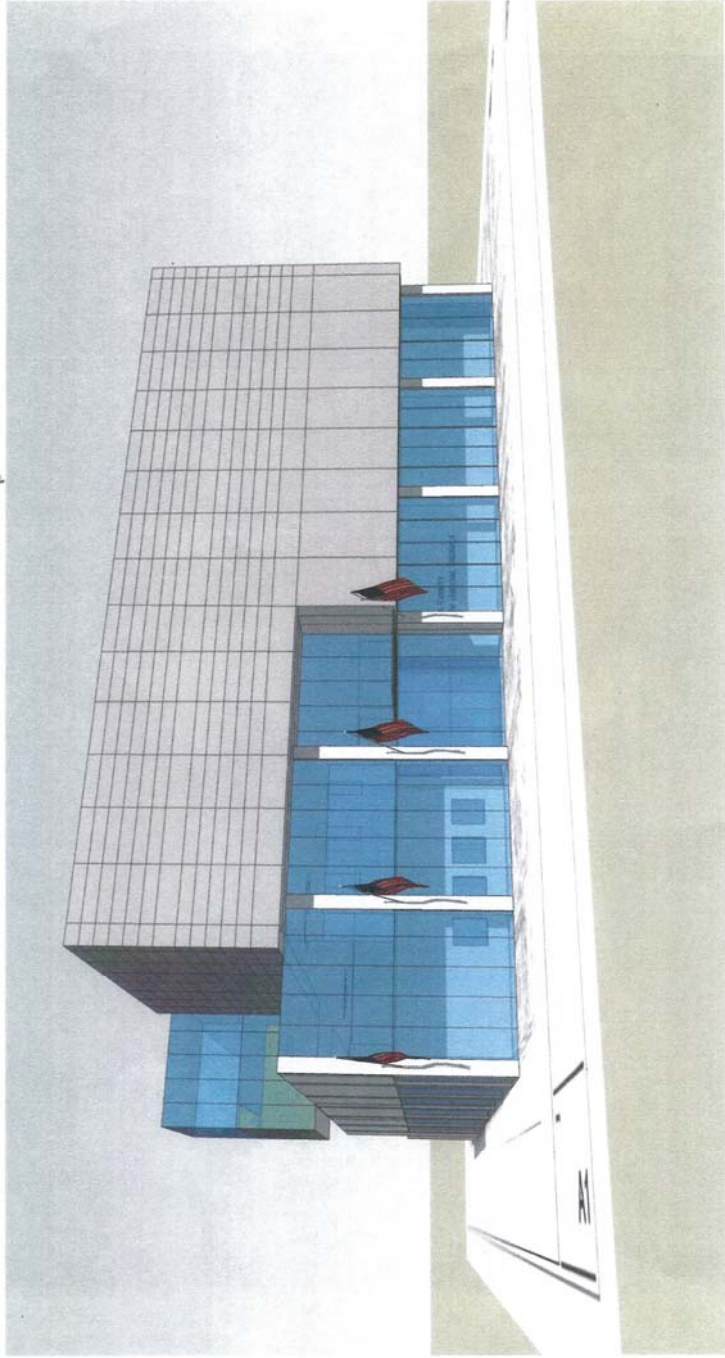
Floor Plan Study – Scheme C



Exterior Study – Dart



Exterior Study – Option C



**VETERANS AUDITORIUM
RENOVATION**

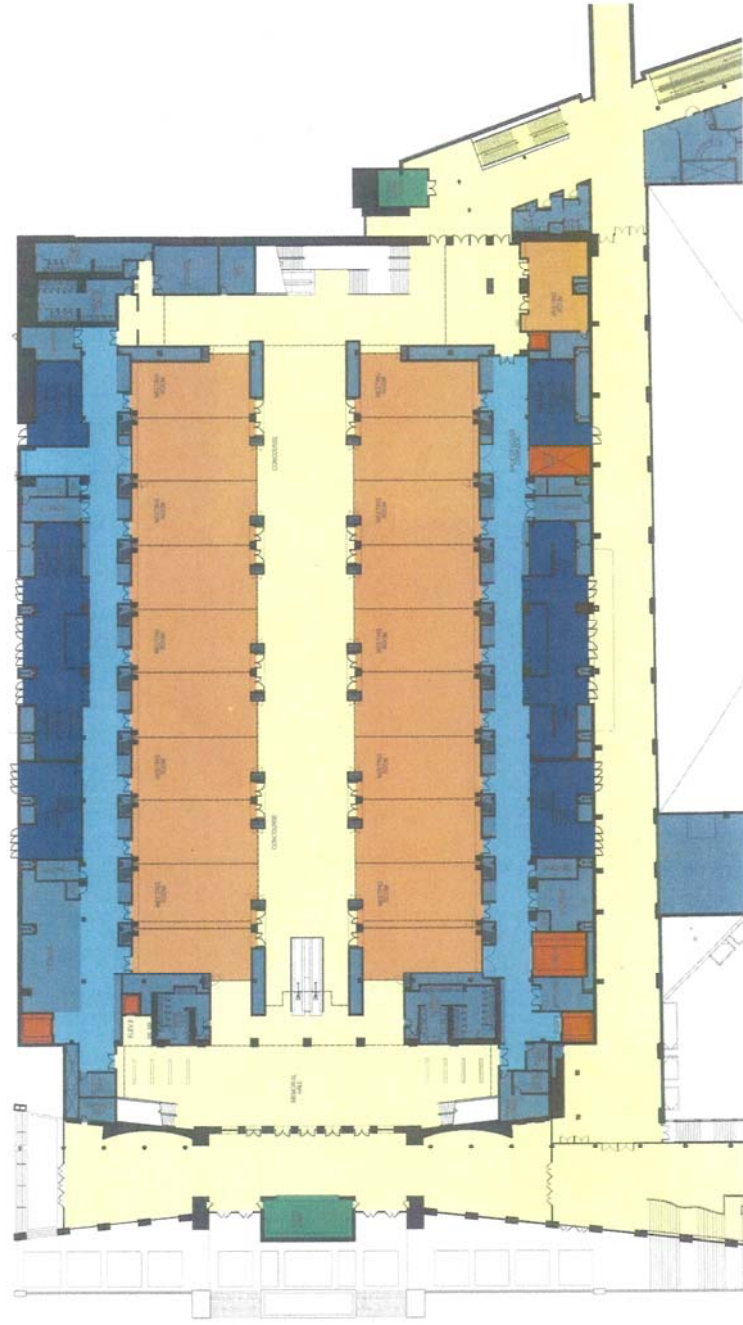
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27 Meeting Rooms
 33,892 sf. Meeting Rooms
 28,638 sf. Ballroom
 62,520 sf. Total Function Area
 233,415 sf. Total Renovation
 314,605 sf. Total Area

FLOOR LEVEL	ROOM TYPE	AREA
EXHIBITION LEVEL 90,590 SF	Meeting Room 1-021	1,040 SF
	Meeting Room 1-022	1,340 SF
FIRST FLOOR PLAN 90,415 SF	Meeting Room 1-023	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-024	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-025	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-026	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-027	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-028	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-029	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-030	1,310 SF
	Meeting Room 1-035	860 SF
	Meeting Room 1-037	1,310 SF
	Meeting Room 1-038	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-039	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-040	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-041	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-042	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-043	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-044	1,380 SF
	Meeting Room 1-045	1,340 SF
	Meeting Room 1-046	1,040 SF
	Subtotal:	27,560 SF
SECOND FLOOR PLAN 41,620 SF	Meeting Room 2-006	1,315 SF
	Meeting Room 2-038	1,315 SF
	Boardroom 2-009	760 SF
	Boardroom 2-031	482 SF
	2 Meeting Rooms	2,630 SF
	2 Boardrooms	1,242 SF
	Subtotal:	3,872 SF
	Second Floor Total:	
THIRD FLOOR 78,120 SF	Meeting Room 3-019	1,400 SF
	Meeting Room 3-021	1,060 SF
	2 Meeting Rooms	2,460 SF
	Ballroom	28,638 SF
	Subtotal:	
FOURTH FLOOR 13,860 SF		
BUILDING TOTALS:	25 Meeting Rooms	32,650 SF
	2 Boardrooms	1,242 SF
	Ballroom	28,638 SF
BUILDING AREA:		314,605 SF

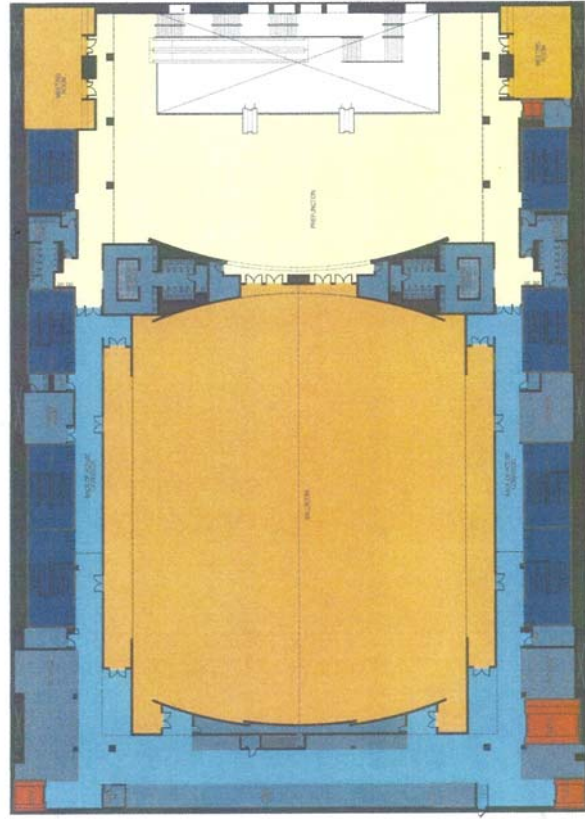
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FIRST LEVEL FLOOR PLAN



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THIRD LEVEL FLOOR PLAN

