



New Samaritan hospital coming to Lincoln City

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Schematic design complete

We're excited to report that after weeks of interactive meetings involving numerous frontline staff, managers, executive team members, designers and builders, the schematic design of the new Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital is complete! This is a huge accomplishment, because this means that all department managers have signed off on the high-level design of their area. Basically, they have agreed how much space they will have, where corridors and doors should be located, how to share common employee areas, and so forth. Throw on top of this the critical requirement that we stay under a \$35 million construction budget and you can only imagine how much work went into the approval process during the meetings.

City planning work has begun

At the same time that the schematic design discussions were taking place, staff had begun meeting with the planning officials from the City of Lincoln City. These meetings are guiding the precise location of the building on the campus to meet required setbacks, where the emergency/ambulance drive will be located on the property, what our landscaping will entail, and how many parking stalls will be required, to name a few of the countless details being hashed out.

A bit about parking

Here's a tidbit about one of the city-mandated items, parking. The city determines how many parking stalls we will require based on our business use. Those X number of spaces allowed by the city can be paved using impervious materials – that is, materials that do not allow water to soak through. Any additional parking stalls that SNLH would like to add must be created using pervious materials – that is, porous materials that water can penetrate.

Why does the city care about pervious vs. impervious surfaces? Water that does not penetrate into the ground turns into runoff, which can impact the city's wastewater system and the neighborhood's ecology. Why does SNLH care about pervious vs. impervious surfaces? Pervious surfaces are more costly to build and maintain. So, after meetings and discussions, SNLH and the city came up with a number (approximately 310) that satisfies city requirements, provides us with very adequate parking, and can be accomplished without too much additional expense. Who knew that a parking lot could be so complicated?

What's coming next

By the end of October, we will have submitted our schematic design, complete with a written narrative explaining our design decisions, to the Oregon Health Authority. Other agencies that must review and comment on our schematic design and campus plans are the City of Lincoln City, the Federal Aviation Administration, Oregon Department of Aviation and Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. Once we gain approval from the OHA, we can move forward with the design development. This is when departments examine the "empty box" that belongs to them on the new hospital floor plan and they begin to fill in all the fine design details: which way doors open, where switches are located, etc.

Groundbreaking

By all accounts, the ceremonial groundbreaking on Sept. 12 was a success and accomplished our goals: to have a public ceremony on a warm September afternoon (not during a blustery winter day) and to let everyone know that progress is being made on our replacement Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital.

In photo, from left, are **Dr. Lesley Ogden** (SNLH Chief Executive

Officer), **Terry Buggenhagen** (North Lincoln Health District Chairman), **Dr. Arun Raman** (SNLH general surgeon and Medical Staff President), **Duane Silbernagel** (North Lincoln Hospital Foundation President), **Doug Boysen** (SHS Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer), **Todd Predmore** (Skanska USA Building Vice President) and **Frank Cedarblade** (HGA Principal Architect).

