



GREENE COUNTY
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Mayor Bob Stephens
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RE: municipal defendants

Dear Mayor Stephens,

I received your letter dated today acknowledging receipt of my letter dated April 1, 2015 regarding the current lack of space in the Greene County jail for municipal prisoners. I look forward to meeting with the Joint City-County Planning Task Force at the already scheduled meeting on April 14, 2015 and working together to consider various solutions to this issue. I understand and appreciate that the City of Springfield will wait 90 days before pursuing possible legal remedies that you believe you may have under the 1997 intergovernmental agreement between the then Greene County Commission and the City. It is my intention to work in coordination with the City and the County between now and then to consider ways to resolve this issue. In the meantime, as stated in my letter prepared April 1, 2015, we are unable to accept municipal prisoners effective April 3, 2015. Due to current conditions, space is not available for them pursuant to Missouri Statute Section 479.180.

I look forward to continued cooperation with the City of Springfield to resolve the jail population issues that exist.

Sincerely,

Sheriff Jim Arnott

