Going from Greenfield to HBW

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A how-to of processes and procedures

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Design Information

- # of SKUs (incl. item master data)
- Storage requirement (net vs gross)
 - Any segregates? (Temp zone, commodity class)
- Throughput requirements
 - Pallets?
 - Layers?
 - Cases?
- Load unit info
 - L x W x H x Weight
 - Pallet types (CHEP, GMA, PECO?)





Site Selection

- Dimensions
 - Initial build out
 - Expansion capabilities
- Soil conditions
- Height restrictions
- Proximity to customers and infrastructure





Building Design

- High-bay warehouse (HBW) storage area
 - Conventional
 - Rack-supported
 - Usually built to 100' 120' or above
 - Utilize mezzanines when possible to limit footprint
- Low bay
 - Dock
 - Picking areas
- Build with expansion in mind
- Applicable building & fire codes
 - IBC (Typical Standard)
 - Local Codes (Overrides Typical Standard)
 - NFPA or FM Global fire protection standards





Software Planning

- What will your ERP / WMS be?
- WMS from the market?
- WMS or WCS from ASRS vendor?
- Add ons:
 - Yard management
 - Labor management
 - KPIs for reporting





Vendor Selection

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Consider selecting the vendor that...

- ✓ Understands your unique business and vertical market requirements the best
- ✓ Listens instead of dictates
- ✓ Has applicable project references that show competency for your solution
- ✓ Has support options that make you comfortable
- ✓ Treats you as a partner instead of just a sale
- ✓ Best meets your success criteria



Return On Investment

- Compare against "do nothing" or manual approach as basis
- Labor savings
 - How many FTEs do you save and what's the value of those FTEs?
- Building savings
 - Square footage savings can be massive driver of ROI!!
 - Build up, not out!
- Product waste





Thank you!

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