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MEMORANDUM

To: Campus Planning Committee

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Subject: Campus Planning Committee Meeting, April 6, 2018

The next meeting of the 2017-18 Campus Planning Committee (CPC) will be held on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 10am - 12pm in Johnson Hall Room 105.

Please visit the project sites prior to the meeting.

All meetings are open to the public.

Agenda:

1. University Health Center and University Counseling and Testing Center Renovation and Addition Project - Schematic Design Review

Background: The purpose of this agenda item is to review the proposed schematic design for the University Health Center and University Counseling and Testing Center (UHCTC) Renovation and Addition Project. It is an opportunity for members to determine whether the design addressed prior committee comments and is consistent with *Campus Plan* principles and patterns.

Please see the attached materials for additional information.

Also, please review the *Campus Plan* for relevant principles and patterns as presented at Meeting One. A copy of the *Campus Plan* is available online at <http://cpfm.uoregon.edu/campus-plan>).

- Principle 2: OPEN-SPACE FRAMEWORK - Designated Open Spaces, Pedestrian Pathways, Trees
- Principle 3: DENSITIES - Northeast Central Campus
- Principle 4: SPACE USE AND ORGANIZATION - Flexible and Compatible Uses
- Principle 5: REPLACEMENT OF DISPLACED USES - Onsite Vehicle and Bike Parking

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- Principle 6: MAINTENANCE AND BUILDING SERVICE - Building Service Area and Access
- Principle 7: ARCHITECTURAL STYLE AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION
- Principle 8: UNIVERSAL ACCESS
- Principle 9: TRANSPORTATION - Vehicle and Bike Parking, Pedestrian Pathways
- Principle 10: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - Goals for New Development: Energy, Water, and People
- Principle 11: PATTERNS - Welcoming to All, Local Transport Area, Existing Uses/ Replacement, Main Building Entrance, Use Wisely What We Have, Flexibility and Longevity, Future Expansion,
- Principle 12: DESIGN AREA SPECIAL CONDITIONS - Northeast Central Campus

The CPC held Meeting One for the UHCTC Renovation and Addition Project at its meeting on June 6, 2017. The committee agreed unanimously that the proposed site, campus planning requirements, and user group composition for the University Health Center and University Counseling and Testing Center Renovation and Addition Project were consistent with the *Campus Plan* and recommended to the president that they be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Provide adequate accessible parking and enhance accessible paths of travel. Work with Parking and Transportation to understand ADA parking needs for the region and assess opportunities to accommodate these regional needs.
2. Consider adding another student representative to the user group as this is a student-serving facility.
3. Consider the potential to improve the pedestrian experience at the corner of Agate and 13th Avenue.
4. Consider ways to enhance the facilities for active recreation on the south side of the building.

The CPC held a check-in meeting for this project on January 19, 2018. The following is a compilation of the committee members' comments, which will be considered as design progresses:

- The existing main foyer area is dark and can feel unsafe. It makes it obvious which patients are waiting for a counseling consult. The proposed changes to the entry and waiting area will be a great improvement.
- The proposed 13th Avenue Axis improvements were met with wide approval.
- A diagonal desire path exists currently, connecting the Promenade to 13th Avenue Axis through the open space between Carson and UHCTC. Consider ways to allow for a more graceful path of travel by the placement and points of intersection with the service area, loading dock, vehicular parking area, bike parking shelters and

landscape plantings. Also provide adequate lighting and views through this space to ensure that it does not begin to feel overly dark or unsafe.

- At the intersection of 13th and Agate, consider additional ways to emphasize the pedestrian nature of 13th beyond a simple curb extension. For example, a raised crosswalk and trees to indicate the threshold.
- There will continue to be some vehicles that will need access to 13th Avenue access. Ensure that these needs will be accommodated. Word any signage at the curb extension with this in mind.
- Consider adding paving at the sidewalk on the southwest corner of the 13th and Beech Street intersection to round the corner between the north-south and east-west paths.
- Ensure that there is signage to direct visitors on Agate to locations where visitor parking is available.
- The provision of ADA parking is critical to the operation of the Health Center and to Oregon Hall.

In addition CPC held a second check-in meeting for this project on February 13, 2018. The following is a compilation of the committee members' comments, which will be considered as design progresses:

- A member expressed appreciation for the effort to reassess bike parking needs and locations, declutter 13th Avenue Axis, and improve the entry to the building. She also commended the use of seating walls to tie into existing built fabric around campus.
- Think of the seating walls as elements which could help to direct bike parking and pedestrian traffic. Bikes should be directed to access bike parking from the major bike route (13 th Avenue Axis) rather than from the sidewalk.
- Plant new large canopy trees along 13th Avenue Axis to complete the allee.
- To the degree possible, ensure that the proposed building is leaving the largest possible build-able footprint for future expansion.
- Analyze ways to expose the runnel as it passes under the ramp.
- Carefully assess the proportions of the proposed glazed stairway, the strip of adjacent brick at the corner of the new addition, and the existing column at the overhang, in relation to one another.
- Consider ways to aid accessibility for people who are not able to carry their bikes to the parking area over a curb. This strategy should also encourage bikes to access the bike parking from the street rather than from the pedestrian zone.
- Solicit input from the ASUO about a more desirable design for basketball hoops.

Please refer to the meeting records for a full description of the committee's discussions.

Action: The committee is being asked to determine if the proposed schematic design for the University Health Center and University Counseling and Testing Center Renovation and Addition Project is consistent with the *Campus Plan* and to formulate a recommendation to the president. Typically, the committee takes one of the following four actions:

1. Recommends approval

2. Recommends approval subject to a series of conditions
3. Does not recommend approval
4. Delays action until a future meeting

2. Classroom and Faculty Office Building - Meeting One

Background: The purpose of this agenda item is to hold “Meeting One” for the Classroom and Faculty Office Building. This is envisioned as a three- or four-story, approximately 60,000 gross square foot new construction building near the academic core of campus. The project will provide necessary classroom seats (approximately 750) and faculty offices to meet existing capacity challenges and also enable the university to increase student enrollment strategically in the coming years. The academic focus of the building is “Environment and Society” and the interdisciplinary space will house faculty in the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Design.

The new building is envisioned as an interdisciplinary, collaborative learning environment drawing on the university’s long-standing expertise in sustainability and sustainable solutions. The facility will house the College of Arts and Sciences Geography Department, Environmental Studies Program, and the Center for Environmental Futures, as well as the College of Design School of Planning, Public Policy, and Management (including the Sustainable Cities Initiative).

As part of Meeting One (further described in the *Campus Plan* on page 19 - a copy of the *Campus Plan* is available online at <http://cpfm.uoregon.edu/campus-plan>), the committee is generally asked to complete the following tasks:

1. Site Selection - Review the preferred site and make a site recommendation.
2. User Group - Review the proposed user group representation and provide comments to the CPC chair, who appoints group members (refer to page 12 of the *Campus Plan* for more information about user groups).
3. Key Principles and Patterns - Identify key principles, patterns, and other appropriate campus design issues from the *Campus Plan*.
4. Other Campus-wide Opportunities - Identify potential opportunities to address campus-wide needs within the subject area or opportunities to cooperate with other nearby development efforts.

Given that a site has not yet been selected for this project, the CPC is being asked to review only the user group representation (item 2.) at this meeting. The initial stages of this project will include a site selection study which will incorporate the CPC review and comment, and eventually come back to the committee for recommended action. The CPC will take action on the remaining Meeting One items (1., 3., and 4.) at the end of the site selection process.

During the project design process the project’s user group will consider the identified key principles, patterns and issues. Opportunities for direct input from interested parties will be provided throughout the design process via user group representation, focus group

meetings, and Campus Planning Committee meetings.

At the end of schematic design, the project team will present the proposed building design to the Campus Planning Committee for its schematic design review to ensure that it is consistent with key principles and patterns.

Action: The committee is being asked to provide comments about the proposed user group composition for the Classroom and Faculty Office Building.

3. 15th Avenue Axis Improvements - Update

Background: The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the CPC with information on the plans for 15th Avenue Axis improvements which are proposed as part of the Hayward Field Project.

The CPC first discussed the Hayward Field Project at its December 10, 2015 meeting. Members supported the chair's suggestion to provide recommendations to the president on behalf of the CPC about opportunities for this project to improve campus-wide linkages (refer to attached memorandum).

On June 5, 2016, the CPC Chair at the time received a memorandum from the Vice President for Finance and Administration thanking the CPC for its interest and advisory role regarding campus development, confirming the designation of the Hayward Field Project as a Track C Project per the *Campus Plan* and the President's determination that formal review by the CPC would not be necessary.

Please also see the attached Campus Plan and Framework Vision Project recommendations for 15th Avenue Axis for more information.

Action: No formal action is requested.