
Meeting Location: Rm. 6201 Microbial Science,
UW-Madison

Project/No.: 2015 Campus Master Plan Update

Date/Time: Thursday, December 10, 2015,
8:00-9:30 AM

Re: Campus Planning Steering Committee
Meeting #4

Notes By: Aaron Williams, FP&M

CPSC Members: Seth Blair, Gary Brown, Chris Bruhn, Thomas Chitwood, Aaron Crandall, David Drake, Sarah Mangelsdorf*, Jesse Markow, Michael Pflieger, Lance Raney, Ian Robertson, James Schauer, Karl Scholz, Petra Schroeder, James Skinner, Katharyn VandenBosch

Invited Guests: Teresa Adams, Mark Guthier, Bill Elvey, Andy Howick, Patrick Kass, Jocelyn Milner, Jeff Novak, Alex Roe, Kari Sasso, Karen Soley, Kate Sullivan, Mark Wells, Paul Umbeck, Margaret Tennessen, Rob Kennedy, Doug Sabatke

Consultants: Jon Hoffman, Mary Jukuri, Neal Kessler, Eric Schuchardt, Dave Wolmut (SGJJR), Brian Smalkoski (KH), Stan Szwalek, Shuangshuang Wu (HS), Paul Huettl, Bill Albert (AEI)

Absent/Excused CPSC Members:

Gail GeigerPamela Herd, Shawn Kaeppler, Jim LaGro, Dave Marcouiller, Trina McMahon, Melanie Meyer, David Noyce, Bill Tracy

*Meeting Chair

Meeting goal was to present the Draft Preliminary Master Plan to the Campus Planning Steering Committee (CPSC) for review and input.

Agenda

1. Approve September 17, 2015 minutes (CPSC meeting #3) ***ACTION ITEM***
2. Overall Campus Master Plan Update Status Report
 - a. Building Opportunities
 - b. Landscape Master Plan
 - c. Green Infrastructure Plan
 - d. Long Range Transportation Plan
 - e. Utilities Master Plan
3. Review and Discuss Current Draft Focus Areas
 - a. Central Campus
 - a. South Campus
 - b. Near West Campus
 - d. West Campus

Approve September 17, 2015 Minutes

Moved by L. Raney, seconded by J. Schauer to approve the minutes as presented. Approved unanimously.

Presentation of Draft Preliminary Master Plan

M. Jukuri: Presented the agenda for the meeting. Comments from the September 17th CPSC meeting have been incorporated. Questions were recorded as pertinent to the agenda listed as follows:

- Project Update + Status (M. Jukuri)
- Preliminary Plan Goals (M. Jukuri)
- Draft Campus Master Plan (M. Jukuri)
- Campus Landscape + Green Infrastructure Draft Plans (S. Szwalek)
- Draft Long Range Transportation Plan (B. Smalkoski)
- Preliminary Parking Plan (B. Smalkoski)
- Infrastructure – Renewable Energy (B. Albert)
 - o K. VandenBosch: How do parking counts change in the Superblock?
 - M. Jukuri: They will increase by upwards of 200-500 stalls. Remember this area is replacing Lot 34 and the street parking on Observatory Drive (Lot 26)
 - o A. Howick: What is the life expectancy of the old hospital (aka. The Medical Sciences Center) on University Avenue?
 - G. Brown: The original hospital portion of the building, mainly along University Avenue, is considered historically significant. The north half of the complex (Bardeen, Medical Sciences, Service Memorial Institute, Bradley, Social Work & the Middleton Building) is less significant and appropriate for eventual removal and redevelopment.
 - o S. Blair: Where is south campus parking being located?
 - M. Jukuri: Under shared green space of the new south quad (the block south of Grainger Hall) or in existing surface lots.
 - o D. Drake: Our campus is somewhat of an “amoeba” but in other places we have distinct borders. Do we want distinct edges and defined boundaries or less so and blended into the adjacent neighborhoods?
 - M. Jukuri: This has been discussed within the TCC and DRB. In certain areas it is important to have a distinct entry and boundaries. In other areas, it might be better to have more of a blend.
 - o A. Crandall: Would the ‘triangle block’ (west of N. Randall Avenue and between University Avenue and Campus Drive) be the site of a large art installation?
 - S. Szwalek: Art is one option for this site or it could also be a designed open space. We don’t envision as a heavy pedestrian gathering space, more a visual arrival to the center of the campus from the west.
 - o K. VandenBosch: How is the intersection of Campus Drive, University Avenue & Breese Terrace, by the Wisconsin Energy Institute, changing if at all?
 - B. Smalkoski: This intersection is not changing as it was upgraded recently. The proposal is to modify where the signals are located to create an improved and safer pedestrian crossing at Henry Mall.
 - o D. Drake: Seems like the south side cycle track on University Avenue would have greater shading and thus more ice in the winter.
 - o J. Markow: Removing parking along Observatory Dr. will limit disabled individuals access and could act as a further impediment.
 - B. Smalkoski: Accessible parking needs could be accommodated by a small parking area supplied in front of Liz Waters, on the street.
 - P. Kass: Last fall, UW transportation implemented an on-demand, fixed-route campus circulator shuttle system to accommodate accessibility needs.

- J. Markow: The new circulator system is still more of a dependent system that is not favored by a wide range of individuals with disabilities.
- K. VandenBosch: The curvilinear bridge at Charter & Linden is not direct enough to ensure student use.
- S. Mangelsdorf: A park-like bridge is one idea, but remember we are in a campus setting. We need to make sure it is safe for all users day and night.
- J. Markow: I suggest looking at the San Antonio Riverwalk to see how they provide access and transitional grades at different points (Turning Basin). I prefer a compromise between concept 1 & 3.
- A. Crandall: Concept 3 seems more engaging for pedestrians. Is there still enough of an emphasis on vehicles at the street level?
- K. VandenBosch: Linden Mall? What makes it a “mall”?
 - G. Brown: The 1908 Campus Master Plan (1908) identified this stretch of Linden Drive as the ‘Greater Mall’ with Henry Mall named the ‘Lesser Mall’. The term “mall” typically is used to describe an urban area or street which vehicular traffic has been excluded. It does not refer to a covered area, like a “shopping mall”. In this context, it really refers to the large setback of green space along the north side of Linden Drive and a small setback with trees along the south side.
- A. Howick: Concept 3 is interesting, but the design for an overhead bridge needs to consider light and air underneath. We do not want an area similar to Wacker Drive in Chicago where it is dark, uncomfortable and potentially unsafe.
- K. Sasso: Concept 3 is interesting. We would want to see more to address security and visibility utilizing “Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design” concepts.
- J. Schauer: Concept 3 does not seem to address bike circulation?
 - B. Smalkoski: Bikes would continue to circulate how they do today on the street. Typically you wouldn’t see them using the overhead bridge but they could carry their bikes up and down the stairs as they do today.
- M. Pflieger: When forcing people to underground/structured parking, consider lower cost options for the employees. Underground parking usually has a higher permit fee.
 - B. Elvey: We will always provide lower cost transportation options. One of the best and lowest costs is our park-and-ride facilities that are used by a variety of employees.
- K. VandenBosch: Accessible parking, visitor parking, truck/service access are all concerns I have around buildings on Linden Drive and in the near west campus. We need to make sure those needs are considered in all of our plans for the campus.
- P. Umbeck: Consider dumpster placement and service/loading access, even at this scale.

G. Brown next steps:

- February 24, 2016 is public open house #4. The consultant team will present the Draft Preliminary Master Plan materials, which were shared with the CPSC today, updated per our discussions and comments.
- The consultant team will be back on February 25, 2016 to share progress on the Preliminary Master Plan Update with the CPSC. FP&M staff anticipate that the city approval of the Campus Master Plan will be toward the end of 2016.
- Today’s presentation will be distributed to CPSC members only via email. Please remember this is for internal use only. The materials can be shared with your respective leadership teams, but please direct staff and colleagues to the Campus Master Plan Update website at (www.masterplan.wisc.edu) for current information. Also, please encourage everyone to attend the February 24, 2016 Public Open House at the Gordon Dining & Event Center.

S. Mangelsdorf adjourned meeting at 9:30AM

Upcoming 2016 Meeting Dates

February 25, 2016 8:30-10:00AM – Campus Planning Steering Committee meeting #5

Preliminary Campus Master Plan Review

Room 159, School of Education

April 14, 2016 - 8:30-10:00AM – Campus Planning Steering Committee meeting #6

Draft Final Campus Master Plan Update Review

Room 159, School of Education

June 2, 2016 - 8:30-10:00AM – Campus Planning Steering Committee meeting #7

Draft Final Campus Master Plan Update Review

Room 159, School of Education

End of Minutes

If this report does not agree with your records or understanding of this meeting, or if there are any questions, please advise the writer immediately in writing; otherwise comments are assumed to be correct.

Recorder: Aaron Williams, Assistant Campus Planner UW-Madison Facilities Planning & Management