Master Plan Committee

Meeting Notes

4/25/13

By Gary Newman

This constitutes my final report for the UAF Master Plan Committee. It will be up to my replacement representative from Staff Council to do subsequent reports – Richard Machida with Brad Krick filling in an unofficial alternate capacity when Richard is unavailable. I do look forward to continuing to serve on this committee as a community representative. Official meeting notes are posted once available at www.uaf.edu/mastplan

West Ridge Plaza Rocket Installation

This was originally a 40’ rocket, then a 70’ rocket, now back to a 40’ rocket for stability reasons. Discussion centered around choosing from a few locations in front of the GI and insuring that it has a designed vs plain concrete base. It will come back to MPC following further deliberations.

Construction Trailer for Engineering Building addition

Originally proposed for Cornerstone Plaza, it was recommended it be moved to the inside corner of Bunnell. While it doesn’t provide for a view of the construction, they will be able to see contractor comings and goings. Also noted that the webcam for watching construction is up: http://www.uaf.edu/fs/departments/design-construction/projects/engineering/

Bike Shelters for the MBS complex

Michele Hébert gave a presentation on the request from the RISE board with sustainability funding to purchase and install roughly 75’ of bike shelters on the front west end of the MBS student residential hall complex. This would provide better protection from snow and thus encourage students to ride bikes more. Cost include concrete pads was estimated around $35,000. http://www.dero.com/products/bike-haven/ Supportive of the concept, MPC discussed complementary colors, especially if being considered for other buildings around campus. Michele will come back with more specific plans showing locations and mockup on paper.

North Campus Subcommittee

The NASA reflector dish should arrive June 7 and be installed June 9. It was noted that the Board of Regents meeting will be in Fairbanks June 7-8 and some members were concerned that this might be a traffic issue. Others thought it might be a welcome opportunity for the regents to view this event.

Campus Landscape Subcommittee

No meeting
Campus Art Subcommittee

No meeting

Trails Planning Ad Hoc Committee

Jonathan Shambar is continuing work on the planning document and invites any interested to attend meetings and to contribute.

It was also noted that DOT was discussing provisions for improving bike traffic on College Road. Gary Newman passed out a bike planning document that he received at the open house held by DOT the previous Sat.

Facilities Service Update

Jonathan noted that Wood Center and Engineering are proceeding, Art Wing of Fine Arts vapor barrier project should be starting soon, most to be accomplished inside the building. Life Sciences (Margaret Murie) Building will have a grand opening August 22, 2013. Siemens Corp is continuing work with UAF on energy efficient upgrades. It was noted that Siemens, UAF and Golden Valley (as reported at the GVEA annual meeting) are still working on trying to make the solar array in front of Butrovich economically viable.

Public Comment

None