UAF Master Planning Committee	
Thursday, December 12, 2002; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330	 Welcome and announcements Informational presentation by Facilities Services - Steve Titus Revision of antenna/equipment placement flow chart - Steve Titus Action on proposed revision Request from Facilities Services for appendix to UAF Master Plan re: "UAF Campus Security Yard" MPC subcommittee updates Circulation and parking - Shirish Patil North Campus Area subcommitee Update on Cold Climate Housing Research Center recommendation Other business Adjournment

Master Planning Committee Meeting

December 12, 2002 Notes

Members Present:

Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Brownfield, Chris Bennett, Gerry Plumley, Freda Williams, John Craven, Clark Milne, Mike Supkis (with guest Eric Johnson), Pamela Davis, Ian Olson

Guest Presenters: Steve Titus (FS), Shirish Patil (Chair, MPC subcommittee on circulation and parking)

Informational Presentation by Facilities Services (Steve Titus)

FS continues design and construction on West Ridge projects, including the utilidor, West Ridge Research Building (WRRB), the proposed 'heating/cooling logistics facility', museum, and USDA lab. Museum project bids will be advertised in January. The utilidor project was approved by the Regents and is included in

the approved GO bond. Parking will clearly be impacted by this project, and alternatives are now being explored.

Work on the Fine Arts building continues well. The concert hall is now available for use. The remainder of already-funded library and Fine Arts Complex projects should be finished this summer. The future of Phases II and III remains uncertain.

DOT's design work for Thompson Drive continues. When work begins, we should anticipate some traffic control (but no closures) on West Tanana Drive.

FS continues to work on placing Tanana Loop upgrades on the DOT funding priority list. The FNSB Assembly approved a resolution supporting this, based on information submitted by DOT, which is much appreciated. FS (Steve Titus) will complete the nominations process so that DOT has all necessary information for this project nomination.

Construction trailers in the 'Plaza of Flags' on Lower Campus will be removed before summer. The contractor is required to return the plaza to its original condition. Carol Adamczak is in initial stages of a landscaping plan which would include this area, but there are currently no funds identified for improvements beyond returning it to its previous condition.

MPC members inquired about any serious earthquake damage to campus. Steve reports that no major structural damage was found.

Revision of Antenna/Equipment Placement Flow Chart

At the MPC's request, FS reviewed the existing (1997) antenna/equipment placement policy and installation flow chart for possible revision. The proposed revision was discussed by the MPC and several modest additions made (adding a note to the form to specify who is funding installation of the antenna).

The committee agreed that all such requests would be brought to the full committee by the chair.

The MPC also agreed to consider identification of any buildings on campus which would not be suitable for any antenna placements, consistent with the master plan.

The MPC approved the revised antenna policy and installation flow chart. A formal recommendation about this will be sent to the Chancellor.

Request from Facilities Services for Addendum to UAF Master Plan RE: "UAF Campus Security Yard"

FS requested that the MPC approve an addendum to Section 5, "Existing Conditions" in the current master plan prohibiting any future residential facilities on an identified site in the FS area on campus that was previously used for hazardous waste storage. EPA has requested a formal statement from the university regarding this site. The MPC approved this request and will forward this recommendation for an addendum to the Chancellor.

MPC Subcommittee Updates

Circulation and Parking (C&P) subcommittee chair Shirish Patil gave an excellent presentation about the subcommittee's progress to date. The subcommittee is working with FS to identify a contractor to complete the C&P study by early summer 2003. Shirish identified the need for additional West Ridge representation on the subcommittee. MPC member John Craven was asked to serve in this capacity and agreed. Incoming Alumni Association director Joe Hayes will also be invited to serve.

Mike Supkis is now serving as the MPC's representative on the North Campus Area subcommittee. He gave a brief overview about the subcommittee's work and progress toward bringing a draft plan to the MPC in spring 2003. The next meeting is January 14. A community open house is planned for February 2003, and a revised draft plan is anticipated in March or April. The subcommittee's final recommendations to the MPC are expected in May 2003.

The importance of communicating about the ongoing work of the MPC and these two important subcommittees using all available means was discussed.

Update on Cold Climate Housing Research Center Recommendation

The Chancellor has approved in full the MPC's recommendations regarding this project. The MPC looks forward to meeting with the project's principal supporters early in 2003 to address ideas about access, circulation, design, and other issues as it moves ahead.

Other Business: West Ridge Design Questions

MPC members agreed that some important questions remain about consistency of the proposed West Ridge 'heating/cooling logistics facility' (to be located just north of the Museum) with the current UAF master plan. Members requested a focused discussion on this topic at our next scheduled meeting on January 9. It was agreed that our meeting time would be extended from 9am to 12noon that day, and that Chancellor Lind, Vice-Chancellor Neumayr, and Associate Vice-Chancellor Schedler would be invited.

Next Scheduled MPC meeting:

Thursday, January 9, 9-12 Noon, Chancellor's Conference Room