

<p>UAF Master Planning Committee</p> <p>Thursday, October 2, 2003; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor’s Conference Room; Signers’ Hall Room 330</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome and Introductions 2. Facilities Services Overview of Current Campus Design and Construction 3. Opportunity for Public Comments 4. Update on MPC Subcommittees 5. Informational Presentation about Fairbanks North Star Borough Comprehensive Plan - Bernardo Hernandez, Director of Community Planning, FNSB 6. Action on Draft Recommendation Creating New MPC Subcommittee on Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art 7. Other Business 8. Adjourn - 11:00am
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Master Planning Committee Meeting

October 2, 2003

Notes

Members Present:

Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Horner, Brett Biebuyck, Andy Angiak, Bernardo Hernandez, John Craven, Ian Olsen, Gerry Plumley, Chris Bennett

Guests:

Steve Titus

Introduction

The chair introduced Brett Biebuyck, nominated by ASUAF, to serve as student member on the MPC.

The chair noted recent public forums held by the Circulation and Parking Subcommittee (C&P).

Overview by Facilities Services of Current and Planned Projects - Steve Titus

West Ridge plaza work for this season will largely be completed by next week. The new Sheenjek lot is nearly complete; work is being finalized on headbolt heaters.

Rasmuson Library renovations are now complete. Work on the UA Museum continues. Thompson Drive, a DOT project, will continue through the winter.

Work on the power plant is expected to be completed by October.

Renovations in Wood Center, Arctic Health, and Residence Life facilities is nearly done. The TVCC Allied Health dental lab is designed to be completed by June 04.

The Central Animal Facility (CAF), to be located north of the Museum, is now approved by the BOR. It is expected to be a \$10-11M project, funded through GO bond.

Taku Drive will be closed to uphill traffic once Alumni Drive is fully reopened. Efforts will be made to coordinate with the MACS bus.

The Cold Climate Housing Research Center (CCHRC) has permits for right of entry, site work and preparation. A fence is now on the site and work continues on a lease agreement.

A signage and wayfinding study is now completed and prototype signs are being developed. FS/DDC will provide a list of prototype signs.

Update on MPC Subcommittees

C&P Subcommittee held its open house on September 29. About 80 participated in two sessions. Major issues raised were parking, especially on West Ridge. A suggestion was made to continue Wenana shuttle for the time being, given apparent increases in ridership.

The C&P expects to finalize its study by late October. It will then present the report to the MPC for review in November.

The North Campus Area Subcommittee (NCAS) continues to meet regularly and is working on its draft plan and recommendations. Public presentations about the draft are planned.

The ad hoc Landscaping Committee continues to meet. It would like to arrange a public meeting about the draft landscaping plan and also put the draft on the web. They expect to have a public forum in October and to finalize the plan in November.

Opportunity for Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

Presentation about Fairbanks North Star Borough Comprehensive Plan - Bernardo Hernandez, Director, Community Planning, FNSB

Bernardo Hernandez, Community planning director for the borough, made a very helpful presentation about the comprehensive plan revision now underway.

Key points:

- The current FNSB comprehensive plan is 20 years old.
- Borough population grew 80% in 70s and 80s; expected to be 99,000 by 2018
- Old plan doesn't reflect today's Fairbanks North Star Borough
- New plan must take into account physical, social, and economic development
- Process involves widespread public consultation; letters to supervisors, major land owners, businesses, agencies, military
- Visioning session with United Way
- Major growth factors: water and sewer limitations, mining, military land use conflicts, urban vs. rural, large lots impact utilities costs
- 90% of borough is GU-1; largely any use permitted.
- Major land owners have their own planning: UAF, military
- Importance of coordination between plans, especially between UAF planning and borough planning
- All encouraged to participate and to look at website
(<http://www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/CommunityPlanning/>)

Action on Draft Recommendation Creating New MPC Subcommittee on Campus Landscape and Outdoor Art

The MPC voted unanimously to adopt a recommendation to the chancellor that a new MPC standing subcommittee on campus landscape and outdoor art be created. Membership nominations for the new subcommittee include nominees from Cooperative Extension Service, SNRAS/Georgeson Botanical Garden, College of Fellows, Facilities Services, MPC, Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Native Education, and a student.

See attached recommendation ([03-10](#)) to Chancellor.

Other Business

John Craven suggested that MPC consider how a clock could be included in the design for the quad on lower campus. It was suggested that the idea be considered by the proposed new subcommittee on campus landscape and outdoor artwork.

The chair suggested that a link be added to the MPC website so that community and rural campus planning information and documents can be available.

Adjournment - 11:00am