

<p>UAF Master Planning Committee</p> <p>Thursday, September 11, 2003; 9 – 11 a.m. Chancellor's Conference Room; Signers' Hall Room 330</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome and announcements 2. Informational presentation by Facilities Services on current design and construction activities 3. Opportunity for public comments 4. Working session on UAF 6-year capital improvements plan (CIP)-- VC Neumayr and Assoc. VC Schedler 5. Discussion: Proposed central animal facility (CAF), West Ridge 6. Other agenda items 7. Adjourn
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Master Planning Committee Meeting

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Notes

Members Present:

Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Horner, Luke Hopkins, John Craven, Ian Olsen, Bernardo Hernandez, Lydia Andersen, Chris Bennett, Pamela Davis, Kathleen Schedler

Guests:

VC Mark Neumayr

Welcome and Introduction

The chair welcomed new member Bernardo Hernandez, Director of Community Planning, Fairbanks North Star Borough.

Facilities Services Overview on Current and Planned Construction

West Ridge construction continues with work on the roadway and sidewalks. Thompson Drive construction will continue through the winter as conditions allow. The redesign of the Lower Campus quad is nearly completed. The design appears to be working well. The 'Young-Murkowski facility' project is moving ahead with a consultant developing ideas at the Ballaine/Taku site. Taku Drive will be closed to downhill traffic in October upon completion of Alumni Drive work on the power plant.

Illustrations of the proposed greenhouse reading room/café addition to Rasmuson Library were presented during the library's rededication. MPC members were shown the two illustrations. One design (with a curved roof) could cost as much as \$3.2M, while an alternate design (straight roof) might cost about \$1.8M. Efforts are underway to identify private funding for this.

Opportunity for Public Comments

No public comments were received.

Presentation about UA Six-year Capital Improvements Project List - Kathleen Schedler and Mark Neumayr

Kathleen and Mark presented the current six-year CIP and discussed its development and the major items on it. All listed projects are the result of extensive discussion and consultation. After MAU priorities are established, UA Statewide review and refines the list of projects. Projects may be Type I (on the list and considered mature projects for funding) or Type II (may or may not be on list but elevated by BOR action).

The FY05 list is the most reliable information. Beyond that, other variables make the lists less certain. MPC members noted that several campus master plan priorities (e.g. Tanana Loop completion) don't even appear on the list. Given funding limits, health and safety, code corrections, and ADA requirements often emerge at the top of the list.

In the future, UAF may look more to revenue bonds for construction instead of state appropriations or GO bonds. It is important that new projects be tied to careful review of space needs and of the overall academic plan for the university.

Discussion about Proposed Central Animal Facility (CAF)

The proposed new CAF is going to the Regents for approval next week. Funding is from the GO bond. The location is in an identified building site north of the UA Museum. The CAF may include the state virology lab, but that is not certain at this point. Once BOR approval is secured, design work will continue until December. FS will bring an update back to MPC in the fall.

Adjournment