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Master Planning Committee Meeting

January 20, 2005

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Caulfield (chair), Deb Horner (vice-chair), Brett Biebuyck, Ian Olson, Wayne Don, Cassie Mellon, Joe Hayes, Rich Boone, Rich Seifert, Gary Newman

GUESTS: Luke Hopkins

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The chair noted recent updates to the MPC website. Additional updates are required and will be developed in coming weeks.

FACILITIES SERVICES UPDATE

No one was available from Facilities Services to provide an update. The chair shared with members a recent FS information sheet about ongoing and planned projects at UAF—both in Fairbanks and beyond. Members also reviewed UAF capital funding items included both in the BOR request and in Governor Murkowski’s budget.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

North Campus Subcommittee—Rich Boone

The NCS will meet next week and is continuing to work on implementation of the NC plan. It is developing a formal map of NC trails for use by the campus community. The subcommittee is reviewing its membership to ensure that there is regular involvement from all stakeholders—having consistent voices from the campus research community is essential as is a student member. Rich Boone, Rick Caulfield, and Deb Horner will discuss how to finalize new nominations.

North Campus Manager Luke Hopkins provided an update about his initial work. He has a half-time position housed within Facilities Services to assist with implementation of the North Campus plan and to improve management of the area. His work to date has focused on communicating with stakeholders, addressing the ASF need for plowing a road to their antenna, and establishing a regular permitting process for all NC uses. His contact information is northcampus@fs.uaf.edu and his office is at 590 University Avenue.

Circulation and Parking Subcommittee

Deb Horner spoke about her Campus Life Master Plan presentation to the C&P subcommittee, focusing on needs for Wood Center parking and access. Students will be asked to vote in April 2005 about a bond to fund improvements.

Campus Landscape & Outdoor Art—Deb Horner

Planning continues for landscaping and artwork in the West Ridge plaza. The focus currently is on indigenous plants, circumpolar artwork, and possibly ice sculptures.

Landscaping in Cornerstone Plaza is focusing more on historical themes.

The subcommittee is also supporting efforts to advance design of the Troth Yeddha' park concept on West Ridge.

THOMPSON DRIVE USER COMMITTEE

Deb Horner reported that the user committee met recently with sign consultants who will help design signage along Thompson Drive. It is set to open in September 2005. Preliminary signage designs will be completed by January 2005 and available for review.

It was noted that DOT continues to take comments about its Fairbanks area planning. MPC members are invited to submit comments. Similarly, the FNSB Planning Commission is also seeking comments about its comprehensive plan.

MPC COMMUNICATIONS

MPC members recognize the continuing importance of sharing information with the wider campus community. Rick Caulfield and Deb Horner will meet with University Relations to get their ideas about how to expand public information about MPC work.

NEXT SCHEDULED MPC MEETING: February 3, 2005, 9-11am, Signers' Hall