Master Planning Committee Meeting
February 24, 2011
Notes

Attending: Randy Pitney, Derek Miller, Gary Newman, Chuck Kuhns, Bonita Dainowski, Joshua Greenberg, Deb Horner, Rich Boone, Annette Chism

Welcome and Introductions

Campus Gateway Concept
Given the expected cost (perhaps as high as $5M) and difficulties of constructing a roundabout at what is now “dysfunction junction” the gateway concept may need further discussion.

There was a general discussion of the challenges associated with the gateway concept.

One idea is to make the “welcoming center” what is now Lola Tilly Commons. There may be problems with routing circulation north towards the Woods Center. There may be conflicts with pedestrians.

We need to find out what FMATS plans are (doubtful that they would put $5M toward project), then find out if DOT would have suggestions for other ways to modify the intersection. It was suggested to consider securing a consultant to do
an analysis of the best location for a welcoming center/function (doesn’t necessarily require a building but could be co-located with other activities).

**Update on architectural standards**
UAF may provide a template for the UA system. A goal is to forward architectural guidelines to Board of Regents by June.

Joshua asked if guidelines are to be applied to future buildings or to existing buildings. Interested Regent wants it applied to all buildings; may not be possible, given money necessary.

**Parking plan and backfill plans for West Ridge**
Gary distributed the proposed parking plan (available at www.uaf.edu/lifesciences) for the construction period for Life Sciences.

There will be a public information session at 4:00P March 1 in 501 IARC.

Annette mentioned that there may be an emergency exercise in the Troth Yedha area in July. Deb indicated that this might not be the best choice and strongly recommended that Annette contact Bernice Joseph at CRCD and the CACNE group for feedback.

Gary asked if there are backfill plans for the space freed up when Biology & Wildlife vacates Bunnell. Plans are not determined yet. A number of groups (Anthropology, Engineering, Student Services, Computer Science) are seeking space.

**Facilities Report**-none

**Subcommittee Report: Campus and Outdoor Art**
Membership of the planned subcommittee on art is under discussion.

Deb gave an update on the request from KSUA to put a mural (advertising KSUA) on a campus wall. A student representative from KSUA suggested using the east wall of the Wood Center. Another possible option might be putting a KSUA sign on campus shuttle buses.
Subcommittee Report: North Campus – no report

Public Comment – none

Meeting adjourned at 11:00A.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2011.