

UAF Master Planning Committee

Monday, October 29, 2018: 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m.

Lola Tilly Commons Conference Room

Attendees: Amanda Wall, Carla Browning, Donna Gardino, Gary Newman, Holly Beamon, Jenny Campbell, John George, Jonathan Shambare, Joshua Greenberg, Kara Axx, Kathleen Meckel, Mark Oldmixon, Nathan Belz, Raymundo Lopez

Absent: Adam Watson, Doug Schrage, Jeannie Phillips, Theresa Bakker

Guests: No Guests

1. Welcomes and Introductions

- a. No guests to introduce

2. Exterior Signage and the MPC

- a. The large banner that was planned for installation on the Combined Heat and Power (CHP) building has been put on-hold. UAF Public Relations will consider design modifications based on further consultation, which is to include the MPC.
- b. The MPC discussed how to work closely with UAF Public Relations on recommendations for specific outside banner placement.
 - i. In 2012, Public Relations developed a branding strategy as a guiding principle for design and installation of decals and banners that included the theme of “Naturally Inspiring” and “Nanook Nation.”
 - ii. Michelle Renfrew will give a presentation to the MPC on the Public Relations’ branding strategy. After the presentation, the MPC will discuss roles and responsibilities to help in the branding strategy. The goal is to promote UAF as a welcoming campus.
- c. MPC discussed the need to continue with efforts of getting a gateway designed and installed at the intersection of Geist and Thompson Drive. The cost of installing an appropriate gateway sign has been prohibitive for years.
- d. If the cold weather permits, the MPC would like to see ice bear sculptures installed around campus this winter.

3. Subcommittee Reports

- a. North Campus:
 - i. The Equinox Marathon Committee is requesting a modification be made at the gates up the hill.
 - ii. A group of students have requested an east-west extension of the Himalayan trail to connect to the Wood Center.
- b. Campus Landscape:
 - i. No report
- c. Sustainability:
 - i. Joshua will be attending the RISE board meetings as a non-voting member. The RISE board still has a slot available for a faculty representative.

4. Facilities Services

- a. Bear (Darrin), with the Facilities Services Grounds Department, will be invited to give a presentation to the MPC on the prioritization process he uses for snow clearing. This is in response to MPC members voicing concerns about past snow removal and slippery locations that present hazardous pedestrian conditions.

MPC discussed the possibility of developing an “Adopt-a-Shovel” program whereby the Grounds Department would provide shovels at building entrances. It was noted that there are a variety of considerations that would need to be addressed in development of such a program.

- b. A tour of the Combined Heat and Power Plant tour is scheduled for November 12 starting at 9:00 a.m. at MIRL.
- c. The connexes at University Park belong to ACUASI. DDC is working with Bear and ACUASI to determine when and where to relocate the connexes.

5. Public Comments

- a. No report

6. Other Items:

- a. Jenny and Nathan are still working on the antenna policy for the MPC.
- b. The MPC likes the newly installed fire pits around campus; however, in the future they would like to be made aware of any significant outdoor features before installation. MPC will help in providing coordination and Chancellor’s approval.
- c. MPC is concerned with growing congestion of traffic at the round-about on Thompson/Tanana Drive around 5:00 p.m. The traffic from West Ridge is experiencing long queuing times.
 - i. Nathan and Donna explained that the round-about, as-is, is appropriately designed for the volume of traffic for that intersection.
 - ii. To help educate the driving community, MPC will publish a series of campaigns in the Cornerstone on how to drive at a round–about. Carla will lead creation of the PSA, and will coordinate with Donna and Nathan.
- d. Carla will update the MPC website to make sure the list of committee members is accurate.
- e. Amanda is investigating the possibility of adding a couple of Level II electric charging stations for electric vehicles (EV) on campus. Level II stations are 240V and will charge EV quickly.

7. Action Items:

- a. Schedule a presentation to the MPC by Bear on snow clearing
- b. Schedule a presentation to the MPC by Michelle Renfrew on exterior banners and branding
- c. DDC to follow up on relocation of ACUASI connexes at University Park
- d. Tour of the CHP November 12, 2018
- e. Carla to draft a PSA on how to drive around the round-about
- f. Jenny and Nathan to complete the Antenna Policy

8. Schedule:

- a. Next meeting will be a tour of the CHP and is scheduled for Monday, November 12, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. beginning at MIRL.