

## **UAF Master Planning Committee Meeting Meeting Notes from March 1, 2021**

**Present:** Joshua Greenberg, Kara Axx, Carla Browning, Cameron Wohlford, Doug Schrage, Holly Beamon, Gary Newman, Mark Oldmixon

### **1. Welcome and introductions**

### **2. OHV activity on campus**

The committee engaged in a discussion about problems with OHVs on campus and the current UAF policy. A key question is whether the problems with OHVs is due, at least in part, to deficiencies in the current UAF policy or whether it is an enforcement issue. UAF Police Chief Catron will be invited to the next meeting to inform the committee of law enforcement's perspective. The MPC chair will contact the UAF Farm Manager to learn if they believe there is a problem with OHV vehicles on the farm fields. There was also discussion about other remedies including more effective communication of the UAF policy to the public. Carla offered to help develop a communication plan. However, the consensus was that any communication plan should be delayed until it is determined whether the current policy is in need of refinement. Nathan noted that there are a limited set of common access points to campus where signage might be effective in educating the public about UAF OHV restrictions. The committee also discussed whether a corridor for OHVs on campus is needed. However, this was seen as being problematic and possibly detrimental to limiting current use problems.

A motion was made and seconded to change the current UAF OHV (ORV) policy from:

UAF Campus, for the purpose of this policy, "campus" is limited to the trails, sidewalks and roads owned and maintained by the University of Alaska Fairbanks."

To: UAF Campus, for the purpose of this policy, "campus" is limited to the trails, sidewalks, roads, fields and green spaces owned and maintained by the University of Alaska Fairbanks as delineated in Appendix A of this policy."

A follow-up motion was made and seconded to postpone voting on the prior motion. This motion passed unanimously, postponing a vote on the motion for the language change to the current OHV (ORV) policy.

### **3. Subcommittee and additional reports**

#### **a. North Campus**

Outdoor Adventures is developing on new print maps.

#### **b. Campus Landscape**

Nothing new to report

#### **c. Sustainability**

Nothing new to report

#### **d. Inclusivity**

The sub-committee is working on signage and other measures of Native Alaska acknowledgement across campus. The sub-committee is also interested in exploring the possibility of some initial landscaping to the Troth Yeddha Park. The committee supports

their efforts and the MPC chair will bring this issue to the Chancellor for his thoughts regarding this matter.

**4. Facilities Services**

No report.

**5. Additional matters**

The MPC chair noted that the UAF Foundation is going forward with a naming campaign and the Chancellor is soliciting “out-of-the box” naming opportunities from committee members.

**6. Public Comment**

No comments

**7. Schedule**

Next meeting April 5th