

**UAF Master Plan Committee**  
**Annual Report for UAF Staff Council**

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The UAF Master Plan Committee is an advisory committee to the UAF chancellor. Its official charge is to assist in the implementation and continual update of the current UAF Campus Master Plan. Meetings are typically held bi-weekly during the school year to discuss proposed projects, ongoing facilities issues, North Campus, Landscape, Outdoor Art and other topics. Notes of each meeting are on the website <http://www.uaf.edu/mastplan/committee/meetings/agendas/>

During the past school year, major projects of discussion have been the West Ridge Revitalization, the Engineering Building addition, a proposed roundabout at "Dysfunction Junction", impacts once the Life Sciences Building is complete, utility projects impacting campus, a plan to expand outdoor recreation with a terrain park, review of the Sustainable Village proposal next to the Cold Climate Housing Research Center, and the proposed Public-Private Partnership project to expand Wood Center to, amongst other things, replace Lola Tilly Commons as student food service to become a welcome center and to add more suite style dorm space adjacent to Wood Center. See the meeting notes mentioned above for further info.

It is helpful to have a Staff Council representative on this committee to represent a staff perspective as well as to gain an appreciation of a broader view of the physical aspects of the UAF campus. Meetings are seldom boring.