



City of Seattle

Department of Neighborhoods

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DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY

CITY OF SEATTLE - UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting #54

December 10, 2002

Members Present

Fred Hart – University District Chamber of Commerce
Betty Swift – Portage Bay-Roanoke
Michael Bittner – Ravenna Bryant Community Association
Don Argus – Alternate - Montlake Community Club
Matthew Fox – University District Community Council
Susan Torrance – Laurelhurst Community Council
Daniel Kraus – University Staff Representative
Justin Anderson – UW Students
Ron Adams – Eastlake Community Council
Eric Larson – Roosevelt Neighbor's Alliance

Staff Present

Steve Sheppard – City of Seattle, Department of Neighborhoods
Theresa Doherty – UW Assistant Vice President for Regional Affairs
Jan Arntz – University of Washington
Stephanie Haines – City of Seattle, Department of Design, Construction, and
Land Use
Randy Everett – University of Washington Capital Projects Office
Bryan Hall – University of Washington
Bill Talley – University of Washington Capital Projects Office
David Bergstaler – Associate Dean of Graduate Programs for the UW Business
School
Olivia Yang – University of Washington

Others Present

Kara Hedrick
Richard Ellison
Deborah Born

I. Opening and Housekeeping

Fred Hart opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Introductions followed. The agenda for the meeting and minutes from Meeting 53 were approved. Steve Sheppard reported that the Master Plan has now passed out of Seattle City Council. There were few surprises other than the discussion of the time for the expiration of the plan. The Master Plan had stipulated that it would expire when the 3 million gross square feet was developed OR a new Master Plan was approved. The City Council discussed the issue of putting a time limit of 10 years on the plan, but in the end, decided to leave the original language of the CMP on this subject intact.

I. UW Business School Briefing

Theresa Doherty reported that the new business school would be located on site 4c on the Central Campus. The project is entering pre-design. This presentation is looking at massing and volume only. Schematic design will follow at a later date. Associate Dean of Graduate Programs for the UW Business School, David Bergstaler, was introduced to discuss the programmatic needs for the building. Mr. Bergstaler stated that the existing facility has served the Business school for 40 years. Changes in teaching styles and academic needs have created a need for new and larger facilities. Construction of the new facility will allow the business school to congregate in closer proximity and to give up McKenzie Hall.

Randy Everett with the Capital Projects Office briefly discussed the site and its constraints. He noted that the project is 100% donor funded. Not all fund raising has been completed. For this reason both the start of construction and occupancy dates are yet to be determined. The site can easily accommodate the needs of the business school. Balmer Hall will be re-used with new facilities built to the west and an underground library. Pedestrian access will be retained. The building will be lower than the height limits permitted under the CMP so that it will match the scale of nearby buildings.

III. Genome Sciences/Bioengineering

Bryan Hall was introduced to give a brief presentation on progress on the Genome Sciences and Bioengineering Buildings – Site 48S in the CMP. He stated that this was his second presentation to CUCAC on this project and that the two buildings essentially will function as a single unit. The building footprint is established by the constraints of the West Campus Plan, including the Portage Bay Vista, and fills most of the available space. The project will establish the vista size but the project budget is not sufficient to complete landscaping and improvements to the vista. The landscaping will be complete when funds become available. The exterior will be terra cotta but will be patterned to look brick-like.

The site is contaminated with petrochemicals and environmental remediation is planned. This will include additional soils boring and removal of the contaminated soil. Preliminary elevations and perspective drawings were

presented. The University hopes to gain certification for the building for energy efficiency. This will include special treatment to the windows. Mr. Hall stated that the project is on a fast timeline and construction could start as early as August 2003.

IV. Tree Removal

Bill Talley stated that for many years Laurelhurst residents have requested the removal of some poplar trees that overhang adjacent residential properties. The University has now removed the most troublesome of these trees. In addition the University has removed one dead elm that was effecting bus routes. Also, as a part of the ADA paving associated with the Law school a couple of trees were removed on the north side of the 43rd Street extension.

V. City Staffing

Steve Sheppard noted that the City budget had eliminated the Senior Planning position that he held and that staffing for CUCAC and other Major Institutions programs will be re-assigned to other staff. He assured the committee that they would continue to receive outstanding staff assistance from the City and thanked members for their participation over the 12 plus years that he staffed the committee.

VI. Adjournment

No further business being before the committee the meeting was adjourned.