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approximately 25,000 gsf and two underground parking levels providing approximately 200 stalls.

Student Recreation Center – The proposed facility would include: aquatic space, recreation space, support services, wellness services, common space, and administrative space. Currently, the Facilities Planning Department is looking at site and infrastructure issues. Funding sources are yet to be confirmed.

Neuroscience and Biomedical Technology Research Building – Newly recruited faculty members will work within existing academic departments until a new building for the institute is completed.

For a complete list of projects or more specifics, go to http://www.facilities.utah.edu/2006_Project_Updates.pdf, or to receive a copy in the mail, please contact Shera Penner in University Facilities at 585-6751.

For a Reference Key of Topics discussed at the 2005 Community Forum meetings, please contact Teri Erick at 585-9244.

QUESTIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

During the Q&A session, some of the neighbors raised questions concerning the growth at the University (new building and building occupancy) and how that growth impacts traffic along Foothill and neighborhood streets. They asked about long-range plans for open space, new buildings and general expansion at the U, primarily as it relates to building occupancy. The question was raised concerning the purpose for Research Park and the perceived increase in administrative use of the buildings. University representatives agreed to attempt to find answers and report back to these and other questions related to the U's future plans at the March meeting.

The following questions and comments were discussed:

- How many new people are expected to occupy the new buildings on campus? Is there an approximate number of people that correlates to the square footage?
- Neighbors would like to see a number that would estimate the amount of new traffic coming to a building resulting from new

buildings. If people are moving from one building to another, that can be noted in this estimate.

- Is traffic analyzed for each project as well as in the context of future development? How are neighborhood streets affected by the increase in traffic?
- Neighbors would like to be able to have public input for each new building.
- Norm Chambers mentioned UTA has traffic studies of 13th East and Foothill Boulevard that show a decline in traffic flows on these streets. Norm also takes the bus on Foothill every morning and the traffic flow is better than 10 years ago. The U continues to work with UTA on new options, which include considering commuter lines and new rapid bus schedules.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Growth plan for the University of Utah
- Research Park including the Utah Museum of Natural History



NEXT COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING:

Tuesday,
March 28,
5 p.m.

Bldg. 540 Arapeen
in Research Park

If you have an agenda item, questions or comments, please contact Teri Erick in the University of Utah Public Relations office at 585-9244.

Community Forum meetings for neighbors of the U and the University community will be held March 28, May 23, August 22 and October 24 at 5:00 p.m. For more information or to be added to or deleted from our mailing list, call 585-9244.



NOTES FROM JANUARY 25 ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING

Welcome and Introductions

Spence Kinard, University Board of Trustees

Trustee Kinard welcomed everyone, and expressed his appreciation for their interest and attendance. The University of Utah has terrific neighbors and the U would like to be a good neighbor in return.

Community Forum Future Meetings and Structure

Mike Perez, Associate Vice President, Administrative Services, Facilities Management

Mike apologized for the absence of Research Park as an agenda item but Charles Evans, Director, Research Park was out of the country. He asked that any Research Park issues be raised and they can be addressed in a future meeting. Issues include:

- Remaining available property/future plans
- Height restriction
- Moratorium
- Traffic issues/updates to infrastructure and roadways
- Building occupancy

Mike also proposed a change in the structure and schedule of the Community Forum meetings. It was proposed that the meetings be held on a quarterly basis. The U will visit with neighborhood representatives prior to the meeting to identify agenda items of interest to neighbors. The annual meeting in January will not change. The new structure and schedule was discussed and it was also requested that there could be a special meeting in the event that an urgent issue arises. It was

decided that the Community Forum meetings be held on Tuesday due to conflicts on Wednesday evenings. The following dates were selected for this years C.F. meetings:

- March 28 at 5 p.m.
- May 23 at 5 p.m.
- August 22 at 5 p.m.
- October 24 at 5 p.m.

Current Issues

Coralie Alder, Director, University Public Relations

She invited neighbors to check out the myriad events happening at the U. To see a calendar of events log onto www.utah.edu and click on the Calendar of Events.

In recognition of the XX Olympic Winter Games, which will be held Feb. 10 through 26, in Torino, Italy, Utah's own Olympic Cauldron will be lit during the evening hours on Feb. 10, 11 and 12 and will burn until 11 p.m.

The U is still waiting on the State supreme court ruling on the concealed guns on campus issue.

Review of Transportation and Parking Issues

Norm Chambers, Assistant Vice President, Auxiliary Services

The last year has been very positive in terms of transportation and parking. The cornerstone of success is the UTA Education pass. This program has been in effect since 1991. The U was the first large organization or school to work with UTA. The UTA ED pass is available for every faculty, staff, and student on campus and allows them to ride TRAX and buses for free. To use the pass the rider needs a student or faculty/staff ID and a current ED pass. The U and UTA have a good working relationship, UTA is very cooperative and supportive.

In the summer of 2005, the completion of some construction in the Health Sciences area resulted in 300 new parking spaces, but due to construction on main campus, approximately 300 spaces were lost. Commuter Services did a campaign to update students, faculty and staff about the parking situation during construction. The campaign slogan: Honey, I Shrank the Parking Lots was sent via email the day before school started and posted on campus during the first days of school. It encouraged people to take TRAX and the bus to get to campus. At the same time Hurricane Katrina occurred and gas prices soared, so although it is very likely that had an effect on the numbers, the ridership on TRAX increased by one-third in fall 2005. In 2002, the average number of riders on TRAX each business day was 10,000. In 2003, the average increased to 12,000. In September and October 2004, the average was 15,000 and in the fall of 2005 the average was 20,000. UTA also determined that approximately one-third of every person riding TRAX is coming to the U. The ED pass is funded by the transportation fee paid by each student as well as a fee the U pays for each employee.

Commuter Services now provides improved shuttle service to Research Park and Health Sciences. They hope people working in these areas will take TRAX and get to their areas using shuttles. The U's shuttle system is the second largest transit system in the state. The campus shuttles are funded by parking ticket fees. The U is planning to purchase a new hybrid shuttle and will try to get help to fund the cost.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) designated the University of Utah as one of the "Best Workplaces for Commuters." In bestowing the honor, the federal agencies acknowledged that the U meets the "national standard of excellence" to help reduce traffic and air pollution.

During athletic events, the U and UTA provide a pre-paid fare zone between the Huntsman Center and Rice Eccles Stadium. This allows event attendees to park by the Huntsman Center and ride TRAX to Rice Eccles and vice versa.

The neighbors complimented the U on stepping up to work on the traffic situation at the U.

Campus Exterior Graphics

John McNary, Project Manager

The U is creating new signs around campus to direct visitors and new students. The campus has been divided into zones/neighborhoods and each zone has a designated color. The campus is divided into a southern district, a northern district, a medical zone, Fort Douglas/housing area, and Research Park.

Signs will vary in size and will be consistent, quickly recognizable, and identifiable. Visitors will know they are at the U. The signs will include the trademark sandstone color as well as the U logo. There are two standard signs, the traffic way-finding signs, for those in cars, and the pedestrian oriented signs. The traffic way-finding signs will include monument signs, primary signs (16 feet high), secondary signs (10 feet high), tertiary signs (8 feet high) and vehicle pull-out signs. The first phase of this project will include primary, secondary and tertiary signs. The pedestrian-oriented signs are still a work in progress but should include pedestrian directional maps, destination signs, and street signs (located on street intersections as well as on pedestrian walkways).

The first phase of the project is scheduled to begin within the next couple of months. It is estimated that the first phase of signs will be in place by the beginning of fall 2006. The signs will be reflective but not lighted.

A question about graffiti on the new signs was raised, but the campus has a very effective way to remove graffiti and they will continue those efforts on the new signs.

Attendees asked about neighbor input on the placement of exterior signs. The first phase consists mainly of signs on the interior of campus and they can work on a meeting down the road to discuss final placement of exterior signs.

To view a map of the way-finding signs online go to: <http://uutah.meier-inc.com/public>

REVIEW OF CURRENT PROJECTS

Eric Browning, Planner/Staff Architect, Facilities Planning

COMPLETED PROJECTS IN 2005

Spencer F. and Cleone P. Eccles Health Sciences Education Building (HSEB) – Construction began in March 2003. The building is located south of the Eccles Health Sciences Library, east of the College of Nursing and College of Pharmacy buildings, and west of the Eccles Genetics Research and Bio-Polymers Research buildings. HSEB is 156,703 gross square feet (gsf). The HSEB project is the first phase in decanting the education, research, and clinical programs currently housed in the 640,000 gsf Building 521, which is seismically unsafe and will be taken down in the future.

Emma Eccles Jones Medical Research Building (formerly HSC Laboratory Building, Health Sciences Center Basic Sciences Building) – The lack of adequate academic research facilities in the Health Sciences area was a major obstacle to continued excellence in the research endeavor of the School of Medicine. Since 1990, a deficit of 250,000 net square feet of academic research space resulted in serious negative affects on faculty morale, the ability to support interdisciplinary collaboration, and the ability of the School of Medicine to meet and improve the established quality and reputation of their research effort. The purpose of the new facility is to provide space for medical research for pathology and biochemistry. The construction began in April 2003 and was completed in October 2005. It is approximately 125,000 gsf. A traffic study completed by the Sear-Brown Group during programming determined that the majority of users of the Emma Eccles Jones Medical Research Building needed to be relocated from an existing building on the Health Sciences campus. Several parking spaces were lost to the building construction. Future parking demand associated with the building is calculated to be approximately one additional space per year over the next ten years.

Building 512 Facility Adaptation – Building 512, constructed in 1909, is an historic building of Fort Douglas. The total of 21,800 gsf is divided onto three levels and a basement. The project consisted of renovation, partial historic restoration, and infrastructure upgrades. The renovation began in July 2004 and was completed in September 2005.

PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY

West Terrace Parking Structure Repair – The five-level, 591-stall parking structure is fully rehabilitated, which includes the addition of a roof.

John A. Moran Eye Center II – The new facility will house the John A. Moran Eye Center in a new building on the Health Sciences Center campus. The Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences is currently operating in the 84,000 gsf Moran building that can no longer support the growing needs of the program. The construction began in April 2004 and estimated completion is summer 2006 for a total of 200,000 gsf. A traffic study completed by the Sear-Brown Group during programming identifies an increase in the number of vehicular trips to the Health Sciences area of approximately 4 percent. Currently 12 percent of Moran Eye Center employees use alternative transportation; 46 percent indicate the desire to utilize TRAX, immediately west of Moran II.

David M. Grant NMR Facility (formerly Chemistry Gauss Haus) – The College of Science has received partial federal funding for a 22,370 gsf addition to the Chemistry Building to house existing and new Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) magnets for state-of-the-art research in biological structure and function. Construction began in July 2005 and the estimated completion date is July 2006.

John E. and Marva M. Warnock Engineering Building – The new engineering building will house computer-based learning centers, and computer friendly student study area. Construction on the 100,000 gsf building began in April 2005 and is expected to be completed around October 2006.

J. Willard Marriott Library Renovation – The project will upgrade the structural and building support systems (HVAC, electrical, etc.) of the older facility, and improve the programmatic efficiency by integrating the patron flow patterns and reorganizing the holdings. The project will also include the addition of an Automatic Storage and Retrieval System (ASRS) for collection storage, which will be housed in a new 14,500 square foot building to be constructed on the west side of the 1968 library building. The ASRS addition will provide space for storage of up to two million volumes and will provide storage for 15 to 20 years of collection growth. The construction began in June 2005 and is scheduled to be complete in the summer of 2008. To allow the library to remain open during the project, the construction will occur in nine phases.

UPCOMING PROJECTS

University Hospital Expansion – The School of Medicine facility (Building 521) has been deemed seismically unsafe. Consequently, the occupants need to be relocated due to the forthcoming demolition of Building 521. In addition to the great need to meet safety standards, the existing facility does not meet projected growth needs or the need to provide a higher quality environment and private patient rooms to maintain a competitive market edge. New construction will consist of five levels above grade and two below. Construction is expected to begin summer of 2006 and to be completed summer 2009. The cost estimate for this project is \$120 million for a total space of 210,000 gsf.

College of Humanities Phase I - Programming was completed in December 2005 for the new building to be located adjacent to the Language and Communications Building and Orson Spencer Hall, the Humanities Core. Construction is estimated to begin spring 2007 and to be completed around summer 2008.

College of Social Work Addition – The location for this addition is to the south of the existing College of Social Work Building 023. The proposed location would support an addition of approximately 15,000 gsf, with a maximum height of two levels. The estimated construction start date is spring 2007, and estimated completion is spring 2008.

Frederick Albert Sutton Geology and Geophysics Building – The majority of the new building will house the Geology and Geophysics Department, the space vacated by the Geology and Geophysics Department in the Browning Building will allow other departments in the College to expand. Construction is expected to begin winter 2007 and completed around summer 2008.

Utah Museum of Natural History – The Utah Museum of Natural History is pursuing a new and expanded facility that will better serve the University, the Salt Lake Valley and the State of Utah. The intent of the museum is to create a facility that is feasible, exciting, and one which will be appropriate for the collection, as well as the natural environment of its Research Park site. Fourteen acres within Research Park, south of Red Butte Garden and Arboretum, are being held for the project. UMNH design completion is anticipated in early 2007, with construction estimated in winter 2007 and complete in spring 2010.

College of Health – A new building of approximately 60,000 gsf would provide modern classrooms of appropriate size with the high-technology infrastructure required for today's teaching delivery methods. The building would also allow the College of Health programs to be centralized. Construction is estimated to begin winter 2007 and complete in spring 2010.

Virginia Tanner Creative Dance Building – The existing facility of the Virginia Tanner Creative Dance Program is a WWII era building. The frame structure is over 50 years old and does not meet current building life safety codes, seismic codes or requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Existing building conditions and growing programmatic needs have led to a new building proposal and a fund-raising campaign. The site approved by University administration is immediately north of the Kindercare child-care center on Guardsman Way, within the University parking lot. A parking and traffic impact analysis will be conducted. Estimated start date for construction is 2007, and the estimated completion is 2009.

CAPITAL PROJECT REQUESTS SUBMITTED FOR 2006 LEGISLATURE

David Eccles School of Business Renovation – An estimated 105,883 gsf will be renovated and approximately 25,500 gsf will be added.

Red Butte Amphitheatre and Rose House – The Amphitheatre renovation includes a new restroom pavilion and a new 2,800 square foot stage. The new 750 square foot Rose House building will provide a performer's green room, which will double as a bride's preparation area for weddings in the Rose Garden.

College of Pharmacy – The project would provide new and expanded research and academic office space for the College of Pharmacy. The proposed structure would consist of six above-ground floors of