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Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, October 21, 2009 10:00 a.m.

SUBJECT: Master Plan Task Force on Transportation

LOCATION: UMC 382

ATTENDEES: Mike Sweeney
Peter Roper
Richelle Reilly
Bill Emery
Tom Blumenthal
Dan Omasta
Melissa Yates
Bryan Flansburg
Phil Simpson
Robin Suitts
Megan Rose

1. Introductions
 - a. Mike Sweeney – City
 - b. Peter Roper – Environmental Center
 - c. Richelle Reilly – Campus Landscape Architect
 - d. Bill Emery – Engineering
 - e. Tom Blumenthal – MCDB Chair
 - f. Dan Omasta – UCSU
 - g. Melissa Yates – PTS
 - h. Bryan Flansburg
2. Review the Charge
 - a. Lots can be decided in this task force
 - b. This is an issue in which emotions are volatile
 - c. Have to consider the connectivity between campuses
3. Overview of Flagship 2030
4. Address the issues we have now
 - a. How we would accommodate what we have right now
5. Then look at Flagship 2030 plan
 - a. Decide what will happen in the next 5 years

- b. And then the 10 year solution
- 6. As a state statute the University must have a master planning process in place that aligns with the strategic plan
 - a. 50 year planning horizon
- 7. Issues and goals
 - a. We need to keep the idea on the table that there may be a Freshman ban
 - b. Consumer side and economic side
 - c. Private commuter vs. fleet (we need to address both sides)
 - d. 65% of faculty and staff come without car
 - e. 43% of campus commuters come with cars
 - i. Melissa can you check on these numbers please?
 - f. City and outside contractors run modal split every two years
 - i. Peter Roper will send to Megan to disperse to the other members
 - g. Casey believes given economic times the demand for parking is highly elastic
 - i. If we continually build parking garages, then the rates increase, therefore creating a lower demand for parking
 - h. Any solution for parking must be an integrated one with the city
 - i. From the city's perspective the problem moving forward is making sure the integration happens
 - j. Address the issue of East Campus parking; perhaps break down the barriers of athletics, housing, parking etc.
 - k. What is the funding for transit? Where does it come from? Where will it come from in the future?
 - l. Two articulated buses were \$600,000, regular buses are \$300,000
 - m. RTD runs lots of buses often on campus
 - n. Auto, bus and bike
 - o. Pedestrian safety is a part of this but not a direct focus
 - i. Other committees can be brought in to report on their findings
 - p. Students do not park on campus
 - i. Make biking and walking more friendly on campus to alleviate parking in general
 - q. Before we can move forward on parking, we need extensive background information on studies
 - r. Roper offered a list of transit routes and ridership numbers
 - s. Internal transportation for service vehicles within campus
 - i. Internal, commercial, contracted
 - t. Users generally see modal fees as a transparently free option; however, we do need to consider the funding models
 - u. Reilly will send Micro Master Plan of Existing Conditions – Transit
 - v. Transportation big problem areas
 - i. East Campus
 - 1. High frequency transit – similar to the 16th Street Mall
 - 2. East Campus would possibly have a 30 minute lag time in scheduling from Main Campus
 - w. Intermodal safety could be a problem

- x. Private traffic out of the center of campus to increase inter campus circulation
- y. Flansburg will bring intercampus numbers related to bus
- z. Sweeney will bring information on RTD plans – Fast Tracks plans
- aa. Plans that are soon to be underway: Broadway/Euclid underpass, 28th street multi-use path
- bb. To increase biker ridership, look at changing behavior and infrastructure
 - i. Bike circulation, pedestrian circulation
- cc. Simpson will bring map of bikeways
- dd. Opportunities to recommend studies
- ee. Revisit dismount zones and enforcement and bike parking
- ff. Use changes, look at population centers

Actions Items:

- Peter Roper will send background information on modal splits
- PTS will provide their strategic plan and background information
- Bryan Flansburg will provide Buff Bus information

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 4, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., UMC 425