Campus Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2007
2:00-3:30 p.m. ~ 202 USB
[Approved]

**Members Present:** Gregg Oden, Alan Peters, Bettina Hass, Connie Peterson, Jose Fernandez, Thomas Schmidt

**Members Absent:** John Scott (Developmental Leave), Barbara Mooney, Josh Immerfall, Holly Moriarty, Zane Scott-Tunkin

**Others Present:** Don Guckert, Rod Lehnertz, Larry Wilson, Bob Brooks, Shawn Albaugh Kleppe, Pat Cain, Beverly Robalino (Design and Construction Services), Von Stange (Residence Services), Steve Rohrbach (Rohrbach Associates), Ken Stirm (Rohrbach Associates)

**Call to Order:** Chair Oden called the meeting to order

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of the December 8, 2006, CPC meeting were approved as distributed.

**Action Item(s):**

**Burge Hall Addition**
Renderings of the Burge Hall Addition were presented. The proposal is to construct a new addition in the northeast courtyard with the project goals of consolidating University Housing Offices to the first floor with a new identifiable exterior entry for direct student and parent access to the housing office, create a minimum of 92 student beds in a non-traditional configuration on levels two through five, and renovate space for a new convenience store. The renderings depicted a curved outside wall facing northeast and covered exterior stairwells with brick to match the existing structure. Bike parking will be moved to the north side of the building. Existing elements such as the sun shades would be repeated on the addition. The Campus Planning Committee endorsed this project.

**Information Item(s):**
None

**CPC Subcommittee Reports:**

**Land Use Subcommittee**
Did not meet

**Design Review Subcommittee**
Hope Lodge
An updated schematic of the Hope Lodge was presented. After reviewing the history of this project, including the constructability, the design team came up with a building that will have a lower presence on the site. The building itself has changed in that the entrance is now on the west end, facing south, away from Carver-Hawkeye Arena. The site configuration and location fits the topography/site better vertically, but will require earth fill further into the site. The building is now a flat “V” shape and no longer is parallel to the CHA parking lot. It has less of a lodge or hotel look and more of a home appearance. The subcommittee supported the current scheme, acknowledging that the design is still in need of some refining.

**Oakdale NGI Incubator Facility**
Schematic designs for the Oakdale NGI Incubator Facility featuring approximately 35,150 square feet of lab space operated by the University and 55,475 square feet operated by NGI were presented. The NGI segment has a high visual presence on the site, hugging Oakdale Boulevard and close to Coral Ridge Road (Highway 965), with parking internal to the site keeping with blended Land Use Master Plan. The design features Iowa vernacular inspired architecture. The subcommittee supported the current scheme.

**IATL Roof Mock-up**
CPC-Design Review Subcommittee members were invited to view a roof replacement mock-up of IATL. This is a brief look at an option that, while not holding true to the original copper material, PVC roofing would be designed to match the pattern and color and would be less than ½ the cost ($400K vs. $1M for copper) and would be warranted for 30 years, as opposed to the copper roof which could not be warranted. The copper roof would, as did the original, leak from day one due to the joining pattern and the properties of copper that allow it to move with temperature swings.

**Campus Environment Subcommittee**

**Quad Ravine**
Conceptual designs of renovations proposed to the Quad Ravine were presented to get feedback from the subcommittee. The design shows walkways from Lot 13 with connections from the lot down the hill, rebuilt steps to Med Labs with a connection to the Pharmacy Building, a short bike ramp and bike parking area at the west end of the ravine, and a rebuilt retaining wall recalling the WPA era limestone wall. Items of discussion included whether restoring the WPA walls were appropriate, protecting the natural resources of the area versus walkway patterns and shoebox lighting versus globe lighting. Designs will be brought back to this subcommittee as the project develops.

**EPB – East Entrance Modifications**
The design being proposed for the English-Philosophy Building east entrance was presented. This project will reduce the total overall area dedicated to stairs resulting in better maintainability, and replacing and increasing the area of landscaping planted with low maintenance plantings. The subcommittee supported this project as presented and it will not forward it to the Campus Planning Committee.

**Gibson Square Walk Realignment**
The conceptual design being proposed to realign the sidewalk along Gibson Square to encourage a safer pedestrian circulation pattern in preparation for the Campus
Recreation and Wellness Center was presented. The design shows the sidewalk running parallel to Burlington approximately 20-30 feet from the roadway with a fence between the two. A large entrance on the southeast corner of the park provides a nodal point for pedestrians queuing to cross Burlington. The subcommittee felt the realignment was on track. A refined design will be brought back to this subcommittee.

**Health Science Campus No-Smoking Signage**

The subcommittee was updated on the Health Science Campus no-smoking ban that will take effect April 12th. Discussion points included temporary signage and a universal look of the signs which will inevitably be used as the ban expands to include the entire campus. Mock-up of some signing options will be brought back to this subcommittee for review.

**Grand Avenue Roundabout and Art**

The subcommittee was updated on the progress of the Grand Avenue Roundabout and the proposal by the City of Iowa City Public Art Advisory Committee. The project is moving ahead beginning construction this summer. The City of Iowa City public art committee has proposed to display art on the roundabout and is suggesting a series of three round concrete discs. Discussion included whether this art was appropriate for this area due to the potential for graffiti, the concern about the major utilities and tunnel that run directly underneath the proposed site, and how it could block or be distracting for vehicles queuing for the Emergency Trauma Center. The subcommittee did not recommend the art, preferring a landscaped alternative.

**Art Museum Plaza**

The subcommittee was updated on the Art Museum Plaza project, which would consist of removing the plaza, thus creating a clear visual pathway/view of the river. The entry to the Museum would move to the east side of the building and a recicle drop-off would be created on the north end. This project will return to this subcommittee when it is further defined.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.