Members Present: Bettina Hass, Tom Kruckeberg, Barbara Mooney, Larry Robertson, Tom Schmidt

Members Absent: Jenna Anderson, Jerry Anthony, Greg Black, Meredith DeBoom, Kerry King, Mark Young

Others Present: Kris Ackerson, Bob Brooks, Christine Douglas, Barbara Eckstein, Don Guckert, Rod Lehnertz, Dave Ricketts, Tom Rocklin, Larry Wilson

Call to Order: Barbara Mooney called the meeting to order.

Previous Minutes: Minutes of the March 16, 2009, CPC meeting were approved as distributed.

Information/Introductions:

Nothing to Report

Action Item(s):

Metro Bicycle Master Plan

Kris Ackerson of JCCOG (Johnson County Council of Governments) presented the draft Metro Bicycle Master Plan created with participation from the Cities of Coralville and Iowa City and the University of Iowa. The priorities of this plan are education and outreach, consideration of differing abilities, anticipating bicycles on every street, and encouraged coordination from all communities.

Recommendations for the University include a commuter cycling clinic, public bicycle commuter guides, development/adoption of a complete street policy, exploration of opportunities for bike sharing and/or a bike library program, and review of bike parking standards for all UI Buildings. The timeline for adoption of this master plan is sometime this summer.

Discussion included funding for implementation of all or parts of this master plan, ways of communicating this to the public, enforcement, and campus signage.

The Committee endorsed the proposal and will share it with the Sustainability Steering Committee.

UI “Chalking” Policy

Tom Rocklin presented a request from several student organizations to be allowed to “chalk” on University sidewalks on a one-year trial basis. The proposal would allow only recognized student organization partake in limited chalking in specific areas, specifically the three sides of Hubbard Park and the T. Anne Cleary Walkway. The organizations are responsible for identifying the organization responsible for each “chalking” and for cleaning the sidewalk within a specific amount of time. Because of the 1st Amendment, control of content is limited, unless it begins to violate human rights.
Discussion included the impact to Facilities Management, particularly Landscape Services, potential response from other university organizations, consideration of art student participation, and finally to resist allowing “chalking” on the Pentacrest.

The Committee endorsed the policy as presented.

CPC Subcommittee Reports:

Land Use Subcommittee

College of Medicine Student Garden

A proposal for a one-year pilot medical student garden was presented. The goal of this project was to start and maintain a community garden on the health sciences campus, providing an opportunity for students to grow vegetables for themselves, learn about sustainable agriculture, promote local healthy food, and foster a sense of community among the participants. The proposed garden, measuring 13′x24′, was shown located in the northwest corner of the MERF/CBRB courtyard. This location was selected because of the proximity to the class and study spaces in MERF and a sillcock of CMRB for the collection of rainwater.

Discussion included landscape development proposed for IIBD, the use of the area as a construction laydown area for IIBD, the soil condition in that area, the lack of access for motor vehicles to this area, the high visibility of this garden space, a potential service component of this project, and the consideration of other locations.

Suggestions made by the committee included consideration of a different location, the need to have an institutional purpose/service component for the project, consulting Risk Management with the request, and the stipulation for review after one year. The College of Medicine agreed to support site restoration by Landscape Services if needed. They agreed to explore the suggested location and rewrite the proposal, returning it for review by FM Administration and the full committee.

Several concerns came to light following this subcommittee meeting resulting in the abandonment of this project.

Football Operations Facility

The subcommittee was updated on a study of the football operations, indicating that the current football program has outgrown their current space in the Jacobson Building and that much of their facility is outdated. Athletics will begin a summer-long planning effort to create a “front door” presence to the program, as well as state-of-the-art facility that will increase in size from 56,000 gsf to approximately 85,000 gsf. Replacement of the indoor practice facility will be considered in this planning phase. To accommodate project growth, land adjacent to the current facility might be considered. Parking could be consolidated without decreasing available parking spaces and relocating the parking lot entrances could decompress traffic pressures at the Hawkins and Stadium Drives intersection.

This project will return as it is further defined.

Relocation of Mobile Units

The subcommittee was updated on the relocation of three mobile units from the Theatre Building parking lot site. Because the “village” of mobile units, which have been in use as a temporary solution this past semester, need to be moved, a number locations were reviewed for possible redeployment for use by the School of Music. Two locations, 108 River Street and 103 Grove Street, were identified for three of the units. Two double-wide units will be located at 108 River Street for music studios and one single-wide unit will be located at 103 Grove Street for storage of music recording equipment. The subcommittee supported the location of the three units.
Iowa Institute for Biomedical Discovery Fill Dirt

It was reported that approximately 100,000 cubic yards of fill dirt will be removed from the IIBD location once construction beings on this facility. Because of possible use on other parts of campus, a location is being sought that might accommodate a 20'x400'x400' pile of dirt. The lagoon area on the Arts Campus has been identified for consideration for some of the storage.

Hancher/Voxman/Clapp Site Considerations

The site selection process for the replacement of the HVC complex continues. The massing of the approximately 400,000 sqf of program space is being considered now at two major locations. Both options continue to be evaluated.

Design Review Subcommittee

Temporary Boiler Building – Increase West Campus Steam Capacity

The design for the Temporary Boiler Building was presented. It depicts a single stack and double stack option that is required upon installation of the two new gas package boilers. The boilers are being purchased and installed to replace two temporary boilers that were rented during the flood and not required to be vented to such level. The subcommittee supported the double stack option with emphasis on screening.

UIHC Strategic Plan

The subcommittee was updated on the master planning study for the UIHC that continues to move forward, though slowly due to the downturn in the economy. The preliminary renderings presented were intended to help with fundraising, and were not to be considered the final product. The renderings show a serpentine line of four towers along Hawkins Drive. The two phases of the Childrens Hospital was the focus at this time. The first phase consists of an eight-story tower on the south end of the serpentine chain. This tower would create a “front door” effect for the Childrens Hospital, consolidate pediatric in-patient rooms and connect the pediatric clinics with the hospital. They hope to raise approximately $100M to begin construction on this project.

Overview of Flood Recovery Design Concepts

The subcommittee was updated on various flood recovery projects. Currently, FEMA is reviewing mitigation plans of the larger recovery projects before formal project worksheets are prepared.

Campus Environment Subcommittee

Metro Bicycle Master Plan

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UI “Chalking” Policy

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T. Anne Cleary Walkway Sculpture

The proposed AISB piece for the T. Anne Cleary Walkway using AISB funds from the Chemistry, Pomerantz and Burge projects was presented. Peter Randall Page has proposed a sculpture using a glacial stone with etching
and a chemical process to mimic erosion in random variations characteristic to the rock. Placement of the sculpture would be close to the Chemistry and Geology departments.

The subcommittee endorsed the project in general, but would like to review details of placement when they have been received from the artist.

**Burlington Street Pedestrian Bridge**

The project by the City of Iowa City and the Iowa Department of Transportation to refurbish the Burlington Street Pedestrian Bridge was presented. The deck is scheduled to be entirely replaced and the railings refurbished. This project is scheduled to be complete before classes resume in the fall.

**Lot 11 Renovation**

A proposal for the modification of Lot 11 to a controlled access lot was presented. The parking lot will contain 573 parking stalls, four of which will be designed for electric cars. The project consists of installing control gates at three locations within Lot 11, providing monthly parking for employees and hourly parking for public and students. The proposed access/egress locations will be the east and west ends of the previously vacated Harrison Street and at the north end of Lot 11 along Court Street. The existing access to Lot 11 from Prentiss Street will be closed as part of this project. The previously vacated Harrison Street will be repaved with concrete to accommodate the new control gates and entry and exit lanes. The entire lot will be sealed with an asphalt sealer and new painted parking stalls provided. New storm sewer will be installed along the entire west perimeter of the lot.

The subcommittee supported the proposal as presented, but did request better information about lighting fixtures, in particular their cost vs. environmental impact.

**Public Safety Communications System Support Building**

A proposal for the installation of a support building at the base of the antenna located at the UI Research Park, which is one of seven critical towers used by the Public Safety Communications System, was presented. The proposed building measures 12’ x 20’, is shown constructed in concrete with an imbedded aggregate and will be surround by an 8’ fence creating a compound measuring 50” x 34”. All these precaution are being done to create a secure area for equipment housed within the facility.

The subcommittee supported the proposal, with consideration being given for a screen of trees and shrubs around the periphery of the structure when development of that part of the Research Park occurs.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.