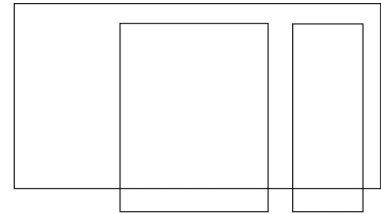
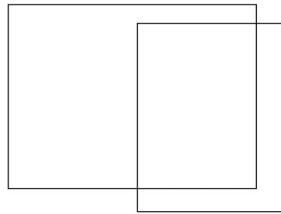
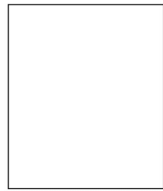




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MEETING NOTES

Project: University of Washington Tacoma Master Plan Update	Project #:	07308.00
Subject: Building Advisory Committee Meeting #2	Date:	February 28, 2008
Attendance: See below	Time:	3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.,

Attendance:

Mithun:

*Lee Copeland
Brodie Bain
Paul Chasan*

UWT:

*Ysabel Trinidad, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services
Milt Tremblay, Dir. of Facilities & Campus Services
Jim Coolsen, Special Assistant to the Chancellor
Cedric Howard, AVC Student Affairs/Chief Student Affairs Officer
Beth Rushing, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Brian Anderson, Creative Services Coordinator
Brian Coffey, Dir. of Urban Studies Department
Yonn Dierwechter, Assistant Professor, Urban Studies
Rachel Fedaszewski, UWT Alumni Association Representative
Wil Johnson, ASUWT President, Student Representative
Renee Smith Nyberg, HR/OD Manager
Patrick Pow, Dir. of Information Technology
Charles Walters, UWT Advisory Board, Tacoma Business Representative
Mike Wark, Director of Public Relations and Communications*

Draft Master Plan Goals

Ysabel Trinidad Presented Draft UWT Mission, Vision and Values Document to which the Building Advisory Committee (BAC) provided feedback

- **Goal III-C** was edited to include the word “collaboration”.
 - “Maximize opportunities for interaction & collaboration...”
- **Goal I-E** Is grammatically incorrect. It was edited to read:
 - *The development of a compelling, comprehensive, well-conceived inspiring plan is essential to the cultivation of funding. Support communication of current needs to stakeholders and funding decision makers as well as long term plans tied to student enrollments and projections and regional economic and workforce benefits...*
- **Goal IV-B** Public Private Partnerships – potentially controversial
 - *Conversation about the relative strength of Goal I-D with respect to historic preservation. The BAC debated whether or not language in **Goal I-D** was strong enough*

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- **Historic Preservation**
 - Three approaches to historic preservation
 1. Design new buildings in style to mimic existing buildings
 2. Design Modern buildings that contrasts sharply w/ historic buildings
 3. Design modern buildings that reference historic buildings in materials, cornice line, setbacks etc.
 - Design guidelines should shape basic character of future development, but not be overly prescriptive.
 - The BAC decided to leave the goal statement vague and address Historic Preservation in forthcoming design guidelines
 - Campus Design Guidelines will get more specific than goal statement but still be written to be open and flexible

Update on Phase 1 Activity

Summary of feedback from Campus and Community Forums

The transition of UWT from a commuter campus to a residential campus will involve an update of the Campus Master Plan. Brodie Bain led a discussion summarizing planning work undertaken by Mithun thus far. This included focus groups, and meeting w/ stakeholder groups and neighbors:

- The UWT leadership council, Campus Forum, Faculty Forum, UWT Staff Association, Community Advisory Meeting
- Asked about issues, concerns and values that were important to them.
- Comments were tabulated and listed in order of preference (Presented to BAC)
- Comments thus far have been generally positive
- **BAC request** - comments collected via the planning process should be incorporated into the final Master Plan document

Planning Assumptions

- Working towards understanding what full build-out means in terms of programming needs
- Process
 - Planning for 10,000-12,000 FTE full build-out
 - Look at square footage assumptions for different uses based on several sources (survey peer institutions, national standards...)
 - Need small field
 - Parking (TBD)

BAC Comments

Historic Building/Urban Campus (First bullet on “Feedback from Campus and Community Meetings” handout)

- People surveyed value the historic context of campus
- We need to be very conscious of what we build to ensure that it blends in with this context
- Eastern half of campus is in a historic district
- Community members were not responding solely to the historic aspect of campus but all of the unique aspects of the site (urban, character, views etc.) Future development needs to respect/consider all of these features of the site

Retail

- Retail is not in the needs table, if we identify buildings as retail, we will need extra space in those buildings because our current modeling does not account for retail space
- Retail Parking needs need to be considered (these are separate from UWT parking needs)
- Retail will be addressed in the Master Plan and the 10 Year Capital Plan
- If MP Program Summary is presented to potential donors, add note that retail will be added

- *Retail could be a selling point for the plan*

Child Care Center

- *Consider adding a childcare center to the program*
- *If child care center is included, we need to consider light, playground space, internal/protected siting of facility*

Preliminary Planning Diagrams

- *Mithun is taking into consideration important site features like slopes, views and entrances*
- *Mithun is taking into consideration the 2003 Master Plan.*
- *Mithun is also looking at a variety of options for Circulation including*
 - *Market St Open + S 19 St Closed*
 - *Market St Closed*
 - *Market St Partially Closed*
- *If Market St / S 19th St remain open, they will likely be traffic calmed*
- *Mithun will meet with the City of Tacoma to discuss circulation*

BAC Comments

- *Campus needs to be pedestrian-oriented*
- *Having public open space at the end of steeply graded roads is potentially dangerous,*
- *Need to address blind spots*
- *BAC strongly supports traffic calming/"pedestrian-ization" measures for campus*
- *There is potential for Market St to calm as the City gets used to its evolving function as a pedestrian street*

Next Steps

- *Moving into Phase II – development of Master Plan Alternatives*
- *Design Team and UWT will start to put studies on an internal website. This should help solicit feedback*