PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 18, 2014 10:00 AM 206 TAPS

ATTENDEES:
Members: Bob Miller, Jerome Hall, Chuck Hogan, John K. Schueller, Bruce Welt, Ty Robare, Roger Fillingim, Ray G. Thomas, Jerome Hall, Allan Masters
Ex-Officio Members: Scott Fox, Matt Williams, Brad Barber
Non-members: Ron Fuller, Lionel Dubay, Bahar Armaghani, Beverly Frank, Liz Storn, Megan Walker, Bill Smith, Jordan Keen, Vinnie Moreschi, Jennifer Grinnen, Nina Shubert (recording)

FACILITATOR: Scott Fox

CALL TO ORDER:
Meeting was called to order by Ray Thomas at 10:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Ray Thomas asked the committee for a review and approval of the minutes from October, 2014 with one amendment - for the word “reside” to be changed to “preside”. Allen Masters moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Robert Miller. The minutes were approved with the one recommended change.

TAPS UPDATE
PRESENTING: Ron Fuller
DISCUSSION:
• Transportation Access Fee – Recommendation is for an increase of 53 cents for 2015-2016, bringing credit hour to $9.44.
• Exterior Garage Lighting Projects – Changing to LED
  ✓ Garage 1
  ✓ Garage VIII
  ✓ Garage IX
• Garage XII Lighting Upgrade – Installing LED
• Garage XI - Interior T8 and upgrade exterior lighting.
• O’Connell Center Lot Improvements – Fix the tree root issues while retaining the trees. Have hired a consultant to assist.
• Frazier-Rogers Greenhouse Removal and New Lot – Expand parking to almost double.

UF-392, STEPHEN C. O’CONNELL CENTER ADDITION AND RENOVATION
PRESENTING: Bahar Armaghani, PD&C
DISCUSSION:
Bahar Armaghani presented Phase I & II of the renovation for the Stephen C. O’Connell Center. This project set to begin renovations on the building exterior January, 2015 to continue after basketball season, March, 2015 with both exterior and interior to be completed by December, 2015. The project will add 8000 square feet to the current building and a new main entrance.

There was discussion regarding the impact to the sidewalks being pushed to the east side of the building and construction area. Concerns included:
• Elimination of blind spots.
• Fenced area placement to allow for sidewalk space
During Phase II there will be some parking impact to 20 spaces on the west side, considered coach’s parking, as this will be the temporary construction office and some of the laydown area. Most of the closure will be in the summer. Discussed were:

- Laydown area.
- Entrance and exit of trucks.
- Contractor parking – Some parking projected to be at the lot behind the Hilton, some parking in outlaying areas of the city and workers to be shuttled to campus. Scott Fox stated other discussion of contractor parking could be at a later time.
- Advanced notification of parking changes.
- Commencement will be moved to another location.

**ACTION:**
The motion to approve the Phase I & II was made by Bruce Welt, with the proviso that the sidewalk on the west side of Gale Lemerand remain open for the maximum duration possible during construction. The motion was seconded by Jerome Hall. Motion with the proviso passed.

**SIGMA KAPPA SORORITY - NEW CONSTRUCTION**  
**PRESENTING:** Scott Widdon, PD&C  
**DISCUSSION:**
Scott Widdon presented the planning and design for the new Sigma Kappa sorority house at SW 8th Avenue and SW 11th Street, slated to be constructed summer, 2015. Parking impact will include 2-3 spaces barricaded for trucks and materials, but will be restored post construction.

There was lengthy discussion regarding proposed addition of scooter parking on the corner of SW 8th Ave. and SW 11th Street. There would be one disability parking space (ADA compliance) and 4 regular spaces. The spaces would be reserved specifically for the sorority with a sorority sticker and valid UF decal required. Some of the committee’s concerns were:

- Lighting in the area
- Scooter parking in the area at the intersection would require approval from the City of Gainesville.
- Proposed area for additional spaces is a heavier traffic area.
- Adding more scooter parking at the house – recently added scooter parking in Garage VIII (Norman Hall garage).

**ACTION:**
As there were several concerns by the committee regarding the proposed additional parking spaces on the corner, Ray Thomas asked that the committee approve the project design phase without the proposed additional scooter parking. The committee was OK with asking the PM to inquire with the City of Gainesville in regard to the additional scooter parking. Allan Masters moved to approve, seconded by Ty Robare. Design phase was approved with the changes.

**UAA 34 OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE FARRIOR HALL ADDITION**  
**PRESENTING:** Bill Smith, PD&C  
**DISCUSSION:**
Bill Smith presented the Advanced Schematic Design (ADS) for the additional building to Farrior Hall.

- Location and background of project.
- Approach and logistics – footprint area of building
- Current status and project schedule – project to be completed by December 2015.
The new building will add 48,000 square feet for the benefit of tutoring, study and community areas for student athletes and office space. For this project there will extensive rerouting of sidewalks. In anticipation of this project and due to other construction in the vicinity, there is a parking mitigation plan in place. There already plans in effect to relocate the loss of the 42 Gated spaces to a re-designed Gated lot west of Murphree Hall. The committee discussed the following points:

- Changes to parking in the campus core – movement of parking to outlying campus areas.
- Parking mitigation plan – Alternative parking in the Murphree lot and moving Speech and Hearing spaces and the Graham Center spaces to the Infirmary lot.
- Lighting in the mitigated parking areas – Lighting at the Infirmary.
- Sidewalk and courtyard access.

Parking underneath the building was discussed as well. However due to the campus core historic building height requirements per the Campus Master Plan, the design unable is to incorporate this.

**ACTION:**
Robert Miller moved to approve the ASD with the proviso that this presented again to the committee if there are to be other parking changes. Motion was seconded by Allen Masters. Motion carried with an opposing vote by Bruce Welt.

**CAMPUS MASTER PLAN UPDATE**
**PRESENTING: Linda Dixon, PD&C**

**DISCUSSION:**
Linda Dixon continued the presentation of the Campus Master Plan for 2025. The sections presented for discussion were:

- Evaluation and Appraisal Report
  - Transportation Demand Management – cars, busses and balance for transportation.
  - Parking Costs – income level considerations.
  - State Vehicles – Vehicle assessment fees
  - Parking Location
  - Parking Ratio
  - Wayfinding/Visitor Info and Fixed Route Transit
  - Implementation
- Future Land Use and Building Sites
  - 2015-2025 Future Land Use
  - Future Land use Changes
  - 2015-2025 Capital Projects and Future Building Sites
  - 10-Year Capital Projects List
- Adoption Process – Schedule for adopting the Master Plan

The committee discussed extensively the following:

- Language change for section Transportation Demand Management - Sub-sections 2.4.5, 2.4.7, 2.4.8.
- Preservation of parking on campus and campus versus bus, bike and pedestrian traffic.
- Growth of parking on campus – Careful growth for consideration of traffic on Archer Road, University Avenue, 34th Street and 13th Street.

**ACTION:**
There were two motions to adopt the presented parts of the Master Plan:

1) The Master Plan with language changes to 2.5.4 regarding moving parking to the perimeter of campus as suggested by Bruce Welt. Robert Miller moved to approve, Bruce Welt seconded, Allan Masters opposed. Motion was passed.
2) The previously discussed changes for the sub-sections 2.4.5, 2.4.7 and 2.4.8. Robert Miller moved to approve, Allan Masters seconded. Motion was passed.

CARPOOL SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE
PRESENTING: Bruce Welt
DISCUSSION:
Bruce Welt presented an overview of the Carpool Subcommittee meeting. Discussed in the meeting were the following:
• Time limits - Starting at 9:30 a.m.
• Financial Incentives
• Dedicated Parking

The Carpool Subcommittee is deadlocked on two issues of the dedicated carpool spaces and is seeking guidance from the PATA:
   1) Restrictions of participation.
   2) The survey.

Ray Thomas spoke of the carpool program as a “legacy program” as it has been on campus more than 20 years. It was noted that there are at least 18 unoccupied carpool spaces at Frazier-Rogers Hall parking lot.

ACTION:
Although the discussion regarding the other concerns with the carpool program will continue at a future meeting there was a motion to implement time limits for carpool spaces, starting at 9:30 a.m. with the 2015 decal year. Allan Masters moved to approve, Bruce Welt seconded. Motion was approved.

OTHER BUSINESS:
PRESENTED BY: Ray Thomas
DISCUSSION:
No other business topics were presented.

ACTION:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

No specific were presented for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.