MINUTES: November 13, 2007

Members Present:
Mike Katovich
Bob Miller
Ron Siders
Jordan McBee
Ryan Mezzell
Sharon Rush
Chris Hughes
Paul Davenport
Michael Blansett

Ex-Officio Members Present:
Linda Dixon
Scott Fox
Susan Norred

Non-Members Present:
Ron Fuller
Andrew DeVault
Nina Shubert
Scott Whidden

I. Call to Order – Mike Katovich

The meeting was called to order at 1:30PM.

II. Approval of Minutes – Mike Katovich

The minutes of the October 9, 2007 meeting were presented to committee members for review and approval. There was motion and discussion by Paul Davenport regarding striking the phrase “…and the time to act is now.” in the discussion related to the Hough Hall update. The motion carried without objection.

III. TAPS Director Update – Ron Fuller

DISCUSSION:

New Garage
- Work is progressing on the plans.
- Preliminary design meeting have begun.
- The small commuter lot north of TAPS offices continues to be the site under review.
New Garage Equipment

- New equipment has been installed at four locations that include “ticket spitters”, ticket readers and gates.
- We are ready to go live any day now.
- The locations are in the Patient and Visitor sections of Garages II, III and X.
- The equipment will allow for the possibility of graduated fee schedules and afford us better revenue control capabilities.

GreenRide

- 99 new registrants since November 6. There are almost 400 faculty/staff registered at this time.
- The program has now been made available to students and VA staff for ridematching purposes.
- A prize give-a-way will be part of the new campaign.

GreenRide has been operating for nearly a year, according to Scott Fox and continues to grow each month. Bob Miller suggested to TAPS staff to emphasize the benefits of the program by way of an annual reminder. A question was posed to investigate the number of carpools that have the two primary members residing at the same address. TAPS will research and report back to the committee.

IV. Student Health Care Center (Site Approval) – Scott Whiddon

DISCUSSION:

Scott Whiddon presented the plans for a relocation of the Student Health Services (Infirmary) to a new location on Radio Road near the Physical Plant compound. This will be a phased project as some SHCC services, namely the pharmacy, will remain at the current site. Phase I will be a 20,000 square foot facility which will share a drive into the physical plant lot. No existing buildings on the Physical Plant site will be impacted during this phase. Phase II will affect the telecom building at Radio Road. Existing parking should not be affected during Phase I.

Scott Fox commented that this is a good move as it takes the Infirmary traffic out of the core area of campus. Bob Miller commented on some of the existing reserved parking issues at the current site that can be alleviated with this move. The question was posed as to the number of daily visitors and Scott Whiddon informed the group that he did not have that information at this time. Chris Hughes expressed concern over the impact to existing parking as the project progresses.

ACTION:

It was moved by Paul Davenport and seconded by Ron Siders to approve the site plan. The motion passed without objection.
V. Hough Hall/Land Use Committee – Mike Katovich

DISCUSSION:

Mike Katovich reported on the actions taken at the last Land Use Committee meeting. The group approved the site plan for Hough Hall. Current plan affect 118 spaces in the north side of the Criser lot. The majority of these spaces are for disabled employees, general disabled and carpools. A plan must be implemented by April of 2008 on how to mitigate the lost and redirect the displaced parkers.

ACTION:

No action was requested.

VI. Archer Road Corridor Project Update – Linda Dixon

DISCUSSION:

Linda Dixon updated the Committee on the progress of the proposed changes to the Archer Road Corridor from its intersection with SW 16th Avenue to SW 13th Street. Seven firms were evaluated based on their proposals. A selection is to be made this week. The project management role will be taken by the City of Gainesville.

ACTION:

No action was requested.

VII. Other Business – Mike Katovich

DISCUSSION:

Ron Fuller reported that the Impact Fee subcommittee will be meeting soon to further evaluate options for establishing a mechanism to help ensure parking lost to new building is replaced. It was recommended that the subcommittee work toward a menu of options that can be recommended to PATA and then on to the Vice President’s office.

Linda Dixon reported that the small lot near University Avenue and SW 13th Street owned by the foundation was not available for parking due to the existing zoning in the City.

Mike Katovich asked what the plans were to replace lost RV/Motorhome parking displaced by the new garage. Scott Fox indicated that TAPS was looking at a number of options, including asking the VA if they would be willing to permit RV under the guidelines of our current TAPS program.

Mike Katovich asked about the utilization of the Pony Field gated lot. Scott Fox
reported that it is still not full, but as soon as construction begins on the new garage, it is most likely going to be full.
Chris Hughes asked what can be done to permit non-football parking on game days at the law school and Library West. Both are open during that time, but parking is unavailable. Scott Fox indicated that a solution will have to include UAA and TAPS will work toward that goal for next year.

Bob Miller reported on the Transportation Access Fee work for this year. The per credit hour fee was raised from $5.49 to $6.11. Some of the reasons for the increase include Sunday bus service, the move to biodiesel fuel for campus buses, a new GPS system, bus shelters and sidewalks.

Concerns were raised about the carpool spaces in the 1329 garage. Scott Fox indicated that much of this was due to “crossover” from other carpool parkers who move from their assigned areas to attend meeting in the 1329 building. TAPS will monitor and try to identify those abusing the zones.

**ACTION:**

No action was requested.

**VIII. Adjournment**

The next meeting will be on Tuesday December 11th at 1:30. The meeting was adjourned.