

**MINUTES
UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM
BOARD OF REGENTS
FACILITIES, CONSTRUCTION AND MASTER PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Thursday, February 23, 2017 – The members of the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee (“FCMP”) of The University of Houston System Board of Regents convened at 1:55 p.m. on Thursday, February 23, 2017, at the Hilton University of Houston Hotel, Conrad Hilton Ballroom, Second Floor, 4450 University Drive, Houston, Texas 77204, with the following members participating:

ATTENDANCE –

Present

Welcome W. Wilson, Jr., Chair
Spencer D. Armour III, Vice Chair
Beth Madison, Member
Paula M. Mendoza, Member
Joshua Freed, Student Regent, Non-voting
Tilman J. Fertitta, Ex Officio

Non-Member(s) Present

Gerald W. McElvy, Regent
Peter K. Taaffe, Regent

In accordance with a notice being timely posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum in attendance, Chair of the Committee, Welcome W. Wilson, Jr. called the meeting to order at 1:55 p.m., the first order of business on the agenda, the minutes from the December 1, 2016, Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

Action Items:

1. Approval of Minutes – Item B

On motion of Regent Mendoza, seconded by Regent Armour, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the following minutes from the meetings listed below was approved.

- December 1, 2016, Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee Meeting

Following the approval of the minutes, Regent Wilson, Jr. stated the committee would be presented two (2) approval items for their consideration and asked Mr. Jim McShan, Senior Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance to please introduce the first action item for their consideration.

2. Approval is requested for the Site and Program of the Parking Garage #5 located at the University of Houston – University of Houston – Item C, FCMP-C.

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Mr. McShan stated that the University of Houston was requesting approval for the Site and Program of the Parking Garage #5 which would be located in the Arts district. This project was originally included in the 2006 plan for a total of nine (9) parking garages at UH. Mr. McShan mentioned that this project would take up 750 surface parking spaces and would be replaced by approximately 2,500 spaces thereby netting 1,750 parking spaces. In addition to the parking garage space, there would also be a parking and transportation office location, a public art office suite, a school of art studio and exhibition space, and food service spaces.

Mr. McShan stated it was pertinent to note that UH was making every effort to control the growing demand for parking and to make it as affordable as possible. Every time a building is built, parking spaces are lost; and in addition, UH has increased the number of students by roughly 10,000 in the last 7-8 years, said Mr. McShan. He stated that several measures have been taken with the intention of increasing the number of parking spaces available. For example, one of these initiatives included the University working with Metro in order to provide free rides to and from campus to the local Metro bus and rail locations; in addition, there are discounts on Metro fares for park-and-ride riders from local locations, as well as a 50-75% discount for car-pools of three (3) or more, with additional parking spaces being offered at Energy Research Park.

Regent Armour suggested that at the next meeting being held in February, a review of parking, along with a long-term plan, be presented to the Board. Regent Wilson, Jr. stated that it would be helpful to have such a review/report since parking was a critical issue on campus. Regent Mendoza thanked Mr. McShan and his staff on collaborating with Metro to provide options to students coming to/from campus in addition to the planning and construction of another parking garage. A brief discussion followed.

On motion of Regent Madison, seconded by Regent Armour, and by a unanimous vote of the committee members in attendance, the Approval is requested for the Site and Program of the Parking Garage #5 located at the University of Houston was approved.

3. Approval is requested for the Site and Program of the Third Ward Advancing Community Engagement Institute located at the University of Houston – University of Houston, Item D, FCMP-D.

Mr. McShan stated that the university had been granted \$1.3 million from the Economic Development Administration (“EDA”) from the Federal Government with the University of Houston matching with \$300,000 to build a Third Ward Advancing Community Engagement Institute. This Institute would be a business incubator as well as a resource center for the Third Ward community. The location will be close to campus, one full block off of Cullen Street, and the building would be approximately 4,000 square feet. Mr. McShan also mentioned that by not having to purchase the land for this facility, the University would save funds and the \$1.6 million would go further.

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Regent McElvy expressed his concern of the facility not being visible enough to the community and wanted to make sure that the University was certain that this location achieved the objectives of this center; and suggested exploring more options for a different location for this facility.

Mr. McShan explained that there were some limitations placed upon the University which could prevent the University from going beyond Scott Street; therefore, the options were limited. Although it may not be the ideal location there were various means to make this facility more visible and accessible for the community, said Mr. McShan. He also mentioned that acquiring a different site would make the project exceed the budget.

After a brief discussion, the committee decided to table this item and requested that the University review the options again in search of the possibility of a different location for this facility before a final decision is made. This review will be brought back to the Board at the next meeting scheduled on May 18, 2017.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, Item D, Approval is requested for the Site and Program of the Third Ward Advancing Community Engagement Institute located at the University of Houston was tabled and will be revisited at the next meeting scheduled on May 18, 2017.

Following the presentation of the two (2) action items considered, Regent Wilson, Jr. called for a motion to place the first item only, unanimously approved by the committee, on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval. The second item was tabled and will be addressed at a future meeting.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the action item listed below was placed on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval at the Board of Regents meeting being held later today, February 23, 2017 as follows:

1. Approval is requested for the Site and Program of the Parking Garage #5 located at the University of Houston – University of Houston

Next on the agenda was Section II, the Executive Session and at 2:15 p.m. Regent Wilson, Jr. stated that pursuant to the sections of the Texas Government Code listed on Page 2 on the agenda, the Board would meet in closed session.

Executive Session Report

Regent Wilson, Jr. reconvened the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee meeting at 2:25 p.m. and stated the regents met in Executive Session and discussed property issues; and following this discussion the Board made the recommendation listed below:

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1. Approval is requested for the Site and Program for the road improvements of Ben Wilson Street at the University of Houston-Victoria – University of Houston-Victoria, Item E, FCMP-E.

On motion of Regent Mendoza, seconded by Regent Armour, and by a unanimous vote of the committee members in attendance, this item was also placed on the Board’s Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval at the Board of Regents meeting being held later in the day.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

All documentation submitted to the Committee in support of the foregoing action items, including but not limited to “Passed” agenda items and supporting documentation presented to the Committee, is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes for all purposes; however, this does not constitute a waiver of any privileges contained herein.

Others Present:

Renu Khator	Raymond Bartlett	David Oliver
Jim McShan	Mike Emery	Lucy Rincon
Paula Myrick Short	Mark Yzaguirre	Sabrina Hassumani
Dona Cornell	Emily Messa	Jane Ottinger
Eloise Brice	Pam Muscarello	Robert McPherson
Richard Walker	Michael Britt	Mike Glisson
Jason Smith	Devonte Hilo	Phil Booth
Michael Olivas	David Ellis	Patricia Oliver
Raymond “Vic” Morgan	Shannon Harrison	Mike Rosen
William Staples	Willie Munson	Caesar Moore
Mike Johnson	Dan Yackley	Ed Hugetz
Lisa Holdeman	Jeff Collier	Tomikia LeGrande
Hunter Yurachek	Oscar Gutierrez	Joe Brueggeman
David Bradley	Ryan Harrison	Jon Aldrich
Brian Thomas	Matthew Castillo	Ben Aldrich
Macy Kelley	Marquette Hobbs	Brenda Robles
Robert Comer	Shane Smith	Dean Suchy
Gerry Mathisen		