2018 Seattle Campus Master Plan

The University has begun the process of updating its 2003 Campus Master Plan (CMP) and anticipates the new plan will be complete and approved by the Board of Regents and the Seattle City Council in 2018. The project is being led by Rebecca Barnes and Theresa Doherty; Sasaki Associates has been contracted to help craft the plan in consultation with the University community. On October 14th and 15th the University held two Open Houses to kick-off the CMP and Environmental Impact Statement Scoping process. Over fifty people attended these Open Houses and submitted comments in writing and on the CMP web-site.

Sasaki will present a preliminary draft of what will inform the 2018 Campus Master Plan for your review and comments.

BACKGROUND:

Each of the thirteen major institutions within the City of Seattle are required to have an approved master plan that discloses their long term development plans. The University's current master plan was approved in 2003 and approved the development of 3 million square feet on the Seattle campus. By 2020, we anticipate all but 72,000 square feet will have been constructed or in various stages of the development process.

The authority of the Board of Regents for approval of the Seattle Campus Master Plan is documented in the 1998 City University Agreement.

The 2018 Seattle Campus Master Plan will determine how the Seattle campus can grow over the next ten to twenty years in response to changes in student enrollment and research demands, while preserving the beauty of its physical environment and maximizing positive impacts on our neighbors. The plan will set the framework that the Office of University Architect will use as it continues to manage the development of the most beautiful college campus in the nation. OUA's recent and current planning has been designed to inform the contents of the next CMP, including the West Campus Development Framework, the South Campus Study 2, the recently completed Campus Landscape Framework, and the upcoming Campus Mobility Framework. Additional complementary work will be done to make the best use of these planning efforts in constructing the 2018 Campus Master Plan.

The Office of Planning and Management launched this four year planning effort in January of 2015 by appointing two internal committees. The Advisory Committee and Working Group will advise Senior Vice President Jenny in the formulation of the plan. All consultants will be hired by July of this year and the preliminary draft plan will be complete by December. Another informational briefing will be brought back to you in December before the preliminary draft document is published in January of 2016.

The Draft Plan will be published in mid-2016 with the Final Plan being published in early 2017. Prior to each of these dates the Regents will be briefed on the content and status of the plan.