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BREIF PROJECT UPDATES

U District Station Building

Mike McCormick

The Sound Transit Light Rail U District Station is currently under construction on Brooklyn Ave NE between NE 45th and NE 43rd streets. Through a series of complicated real estate negotiations, the University owns the air rights over the U-District Station. The site measures 37,050 square feet. The sub-structure, being constructed by Sound Transit, is designed to support a mid-rise commercial building. The City is currently considering a re-zone for this site and the larger U-District. The University is studying the possibilities for a commercial or mixed occupancy building on this site in anticipation of that re-zone. The University has agreed to make best efforts to complete a building simultaneous with the station, opening in early 2021.

UW Seattle Campus Master Plan

Rebecca Barnes

The 2018 Seattle CMP will become the regulatory vehicle for the University's future development, defining both the square footage to be constructed and the geographic location of such development. The draft CMP and EIS documents will be published October 5, 2016. An overview of the project and schedule, and upcoming opportunities for public comment will be presented.

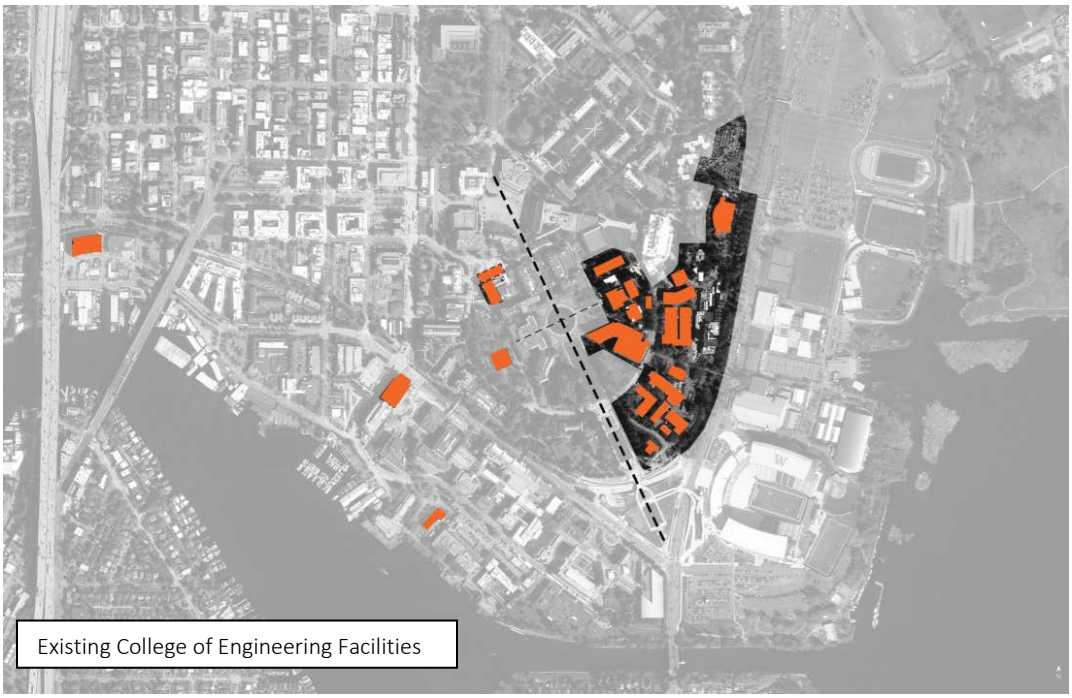
College of Engineering Strategic Facilities Plan

Bob Puzauskie

The College of Engineering Space Assessment and Academic Facilities Plan is a phased and prioritized program of feasible strategic opportunities for the College to address its cultural, facility and future programmatic growth issues over the next five to twenty years.

The College faces continued growth and new initiatives, existing space deficits, and critically dwindling space. In the very near future, the College of Engineering will need not only new facilities, but also an array of flexible, well-equipped and communal spaces throughout its existing facilities.

This assessment and academic facilities plan was conducted at a very 'high elevation.' Its recommendations identify not only major and minor capital projects, but also maintenance and re-purposing projects, all subjects for future in-depth studies. Its suggested solution also identifies several new projects along the traditional 'spine' of the core College of Engineering facilities.



Population Health Facility

Jeannie Natta

The purpose of the Population Health Facility is to create a new nexus for Population Health research, teaching, and innovation in the region and globally. The facility will serve as a powerful catalyst for the University's new Population Health Vision, announced by President Ana Mari Cauce on May 3, 2016. It will house the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME), the Department of Global Health (DGH), and selected portions of the School of Public Health (SPH). By bringing these three units together, and in closer proximity to the UW's core campus and health sciences facilities, we will create stronger links with other schools, colleges, and academic units across campus that are central to realizing the vision, including but not limited to Education, Law, Computer Science, Engineering, Environment, Information, Arts and Sciences, Public Policy and Governance, and Business, as well as programs in the Health Sciences. One of the UW's great strengths is the breadth of educational opportunities and research across campus. The Population Health Vision, buttressed by this new facility, will benefit from and, in turn, deepen this exceptional breadth of education and research.

The project provides an opportunity to improve the University's process for selecting Design-Build teams, and development of that process for this project is intended to result in a model for the University's upcoming Design-Build projects.

UW Bothell/Cascadia College Campus Master Plan

Kristine Kenney

In June 2016, the University of Washington Bothell and Cascadia College embarked on what is expected to be a yearlong process to produce a joint Campus Master Plan (CMP). The two institutions are co-located on a 132 acre campus situated northwest of the I-405/SR 522 interchange. Of the total land area, 58 acres are preserved in wetlands, leaving a developable area of 74 acres.

The CMP process will allow the two institutions -- in collaboration with the City of Bothell, community members, and internal stakeholders -- to develop a comprehensive approach to campus growth that will evaluate enrollment projections, facility needs, and environmental and traffic impacts, to produce a document that will guide the future development of the co-located campus.

In addition, enabling legislation that establishes a process for city approval of the campus master plan and development agreement, and a comprehensive plan amendment to expand the campus boundary and incorporate four parcels owned or leased by UW Bothell is under review by the Bothell City Council. The development agreement and Campus Master Plan will be reviewed and approved by the Bothell City Council, UW Board of Regents and Cascadia College Trustees in summer 2017.