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Meeting Minutes

By:	Perkins+Will - GK	Date:	11/30/2012
Meeting Date:	10/02/2012	Project Name:	BT-857 FIU-Campus Master Plan Update 2010-2020
Meeting Time:	3:30pm-5:30pm	Project No.:	810369.000
Meeting Location:	FIU CSC Rm 1123	Attendees:	<i>Focus Group Members:</i> -Steve Sauls, Steering Committee Advocate -Bill Foster (Transportation) -Alberto Delgado (Facilities Construction) -Ruben Diaz-Neda (FIU Graduate Student) -John Cal, FIU-FMD -Bob Griffith, FIU -Stuart Grant, FIU -Krisan Osterby, P+W -Ben Sporer, P+W -Gene Kluesner, P+W -Mike Kroll, ML
Next Meeting Date:	December 5, 2012 8:00am-10:00am		

The attached are meeting notes for **Work Session #2**

FOCUS GROUP 6 – Transportation, Parking, Transit, Bicycle & Pedestrian

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2.1	Data/Schedule/Meetings confirmation: additional data requests for Inventory and Analysis report, project schedule, and upcoming meetings were confirmed with committee.
2.2	Review Focus Group discussions and homework summaries; FIU strengths, weaknesses, and best practices:

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	<p><u>Focus Group #6: Planning Precedents / Best Practices</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Plan for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) -Coordinate Regionally: Sweetwater, Doral, North Miami, Miami-Dade County <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination of Shuttle and Circulator routes in host and adjacent communities - Enhance integration with Miami Dade Transit system -Consider incentives and disincentives to increase a mode shift to bicycle, public transit and carpool -Utilize Transportation Demand Strategies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inter-campus coordination: bus schedule and meal times • Staggered class schedules • Hertz on-demand cars • Mixed-use / multi-modal transit parking structures • Reliable shuttle services • Park & ride zones -Improve BBC Access: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • secondary access • connecting City of North Miami bike path • emergency vehicle access on BBC. - Coordination with TIGER Grant multi-modal center on MMC - Golf Cart Traffic Policy to be coordinated with bicycle/pedestrian system - Emergency vehicle access routes for all campuses, shared with golf cart system if able - Wayfinding and signage on campuses
2.3	<p>Traffic Impact Studies: Traffic counts have been completed on all campus major intersections and neighboring community intersections. The draft report is being compiled and will be issued to FIU for review.</p>
2.4	<p>Transportation Strengths from Homework Assignments:</p> <p>Positive Traffic Flow</p> <p>East of PG 5 Market Station, good design and signage that assist with the direction of traffic.</p> <p>16th Street Traffic Circle</p> <p>Better flow since redesign and introduction of road dividers</p> <p>Roadway Design to Blue and Gold Garages</p> <p>Clear views for pedestrian and vehicular users</p> <p>Speed Bump Design</p> <p>Good design where speed bump slows motorists before they reach crosswalk. (17th Street E and W bound)</p> <p>Like rumble type speed bumps</p>

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	<p>Slow traffic without accordion effect (16th Street West of 107th Ave)</p> <p>Flashing Crosswalks</p> <p>Good visual stimulus to drivers for crosswalks with limited visual lead time and night time usage.</p> <p>Panther Tram</p> <p>Good transportation option for cross campus transport from parking garage locations. Service and rules need to be expanded.</p> <p>Walkability</p> <p>Size of campus and projects are very conducive to walking.</p> <p>Connectivity and Location</p> <p>Adjacent to Turnpike and conveniently located near regional transportation arteries.</p>
<p>2.5</p>	<p>Transportation Weaknesses from Homework Assignments:</p> <p>Unused Campus Bus Stops Not assigned to Panther Tram or Shuttle to Engineering Campus. No scheduling information.</p> <p>Speed Bumps Causes accordion on campus traffic from 8th Street on 112th Ave.</p> <p>Landscape Maintenance at Crosswalk/Pedestrian Areas Hedges and landscape need to be maintained to provide views between pedestrians and vehicles.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking Lot 6 at 17th Street exit • DM crosswalk to the dorms (Towers) <p>109th Avenue Walkway Need for a walkway at this location to take pedestrians safely off the roadway from 8th Street</p>
<p>2.6</p>	<p>Greenbelt Parkway on MMC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greenbelt Parkway on MMC linking major transportation and pedestrian areas of campus • Greenbelt linking three special purpose green spaces; Preserve, Hennington Island and President's Park

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2.7	Golf Cart Traffic Policy: To be incorporated into the master plan with map series and interfacing with Bicycle access as well. Define emergency vehicle access routes on all campuses and study potential shared use with golf carts. FIU has identified loading areas at each building and “No-Cart” zones that will be distributed to planning team.
2.8	Parking and Transportation Issues related to Housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on mixed-Use housing that incorporates parking, dining and retail at BBC and MMC • Partnerships with private sector to build affordable off-campus housing • South MMC is underserved with convenient parking • New parking north of Tower Housing • Land swap delay has caused introduction of parking into campus near housing against the Current Master Plan • Total parking demand for housing is 2400 spaces
2.9	Parking and Transportation Issues related to Sustainability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most greenhouse gas categories are declining except student commuting, causing total FIU emissions to increase • More public transportation, inter-campus shuttles, electric charging vehicles and on-campus housing will reduce emissions. • Staggered class schedules. • Hertz on demand cars on MMC. • Mixed use/multi-modal transit parking structures and reliable shuttle services. • Planning for more park & ride zones at EC will also reduce MMC parking demand.
2.10	Parking Garage #6 (PG-6): Planning and Programming phase has started on PG-6 in the location of current master plan. Transportation studies will be done soon to assess impact.
2.11	County Fair Expansion Plans: Vision Plan beyond 2020 will incorporate FIU’s development needs and related parking requirements. However, short term parking and recreation open space needs will be investigated in this property within the 2020 timeframe.
2.12	Next Steps: Work Session #3-Focus Group Meeting on December 5, 2012, 8:00am-10:00am

End of Work Session #2 FOCUS GROUP 6 – Transportation, Parking, Transit, Bicycle & Pedestrian Meeting Minutes

The foregoing constitutes our understanding of matters discussed and conclusions reached. Other participants are requested to review these items and advise the originator in writing of any errors or omissions.