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Morris (Marty) Hylton, Chair  
Preservation of Historic Buildings & Sites Committee  
PO Box 117013  
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Dear Mr. Hylton:

After reviewing the minutes of the Preservation of Historic Buildings & Sites Committee (PHBSC) meeting held on December 15, 2020, please note the following:

1. The PHBSC recommends approval of the Advanced Schematic Design phase of the UF – 656 – Landscape Master Plan Tigert / Newell Gateways project.

I approve the committee's recommendation.

2. The PHBSC recommends approval of the Advanced Schematic Design phase of the UF – 654 – Honors Residential College project as presented.

I approve the committee's recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curtis A. Reynolds".

Curtis A. Reynolds  
Vice President for Business Affairs

cc: Committee Members  
Erik Lewis

**Preservation of Historic Buildings & Sites Committee**  
**December 15, 2020 at 2:00 PM**  
**Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive**  
**ZOOM MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marty Hylton – Chair –Interior Design  
Joe Aufmuth – University Libraries  
Ann Baird – Associate University Librarian, Libraries  
Brent Carr - Psychiatry  
Megan Daly – University Libraries  
Tom Dana – College of Education  
Sara Diffenbach - Student  
Linda Dixon – Planning, Design & Construction  
Chad Doering – Housing & Residence Education  
Jacqueline Hahn – Student  
Craig Hill – Business Affairs  
Lisa King - Department of Clinical & Health Psychology  
Francisco Oquendo - Planning, Design & Construction  
Priya Sharma – Pediatric Radiology  
Carl Van Ness – Librarian & Archivist, Special Collections

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jason Byrd – Clinical Faculty, Psychiatry  
Anthony Coman – Management Communication Center  
Carlos Dougnac – Planning, Design & Construction  
Samantha Evans – Student Affairs  
Lacy Hoffman – Honors Program  
Gail Mathapo – Assistant University Librarian  
Rachel Slivon – Warrington College of Business, Lecturer

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Erik Lewis – Planning, Design & Construction  
Melissa Thomas - Planning, Design & Construction  
Frank Javaheri – Planning, Design & Construction  
Melanie Heflin – Planning, Design & Construction  
Tamera Baughman – Planning, Design & Construction  
Frank Bellomo – GAI  
Chris Jones – IBI  
Jason O'Brian – Walker Architects  
Joe Akins – VMDO  
Alexander Jack – VMDO  
Michele Westrick – VMDO  
Jennifer Lyons – Unknown  
Lorenzo Battist – Unknown  
Richardson,? – Unknown



**I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND AUGUST 2020 MINUTES**

**Motion:** **Joe Aufmuth made the motion to adopt the agenda and approve the August minutes.**

**Second:** **Tom Dana**

**Motion Passed Unanimously**

**II. MAJOR PROJECTS**

**UF – 656 – Landscape Master Plan Tigert/Newell Gateways**

**Melanie Heflin**

Melanie introduced herself and stated she was before the committee to talk about the Landscape Master Plan. She said that the project would be in sections and the first section would be the Tigert Hall and Newell Gateway improvements. Frank Bellomo from GAI, Jason O'Brian from Walker Architects, and Chris Jones from IBI are here to present today and CPPI is the Contractor. The project start will be May 2021, with estimated completion at the end of August prior to semester starting.

Chris went over the locations of the gateways and started with the Newell Gateway. The transformation is essentially the removal of the road from this gateway. The transformation of that environment into a pedestrian gateway arrival point at the northern edge of the campus. This will follow the direction of the Landscape Master Plan and the Plaza of Americas for design. This is a 20' wide pedestrian walkway with a curbed condition will still accommodate service and emergency vehicles. There will be brick walls tying into the existing walls to create a gathering plaza space. There will be a 12' wide multiuse path that will run along University Avenue. The project will tie back to some of the existing circulation networks and transition down the roadway add oak trees to comply with the Landscape Master Plan. An alternate will be to extend the 20' wide walkway down the existing road with a concrete lined edge and center with the bollards. Chris showed the layout of the gateway and how the brick walls are laid out. Also, there will be a curb area and a mountable curb for emergency vehicles.

The Northeast Gateway at Tigert Hall impacts Union Drive. This project will reconfigure the entry and exist lanes and creating an auto court. The committee stated they were concerned about an outgoing bike lane and the design team stated they were still trying to figure that out. That determination will be in a few weeks. There are drop-off and temporary parking zones along the edges with bollards. There will be seating around the auto court to accommodate the tour busses and kiss and ride. There will a new guard shed, and Jason O'Brian went over the structure. He stated the building will match the existing Tigert Hall. In the Little Hall parking lot will be headend parking instead of angle parking. The project will maintain the existing number of spaces to have a no net loss for parking in this area. There is an add alternate for have permeable brick pavers and the islands are stormwater catching zones to help with the runoff of the stormwater in this area. This will allow for sustainable improvements for this area. In front of the Little Lot the VIP and bike parking will be reconfigured to move it away from Tigert Hall. The gathering plaza will be reconfigured as well for a more secure and private gathering area.

**Motion:** **Joe Aufmuth made the motion to approve the Advanced Schematic Design phase of the project.**

**Second:** **Carl Van Ness**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**UF – 654 – Honors Residential College      Chad Doering/Alexander Jack/Joe Adkins/Michele Westrick**

Chad introduced himself and stated he was before the committee to talk about the Honors Residential College. He stated he was here today with Alexander Jack, Michele Westrick, and Joe Adkins. He stated that Joe Adkins would start the presentation.

Joe wanted to show the way this project is tied back to the existing housing areas. This project is a quadrant project with walkways, plazas, and intimate courtyards. This is also a historic pathway through campus and this project makes the landscape come first and the buildings help shape the landscape. Alexander looked back in history and the historical flows were topped off and the runoff went into the Yulee preserve. This project will address this historical flow and restore this natural flow with the landscape and courtyards. There are four distinct districts the courtyard, great lawn, plaza, and Yulee preserve. Alexander went over the building structures and explained the campus guidelines with this project of having apartments above the learning rooms, wide open spaces, study areas with views to the outside, ingrate sustainable elements and transparent bases. Open the floor levels out to the green spaces. There will be brick blends and punched recessed windows. There will be precast concrete panels, glass, and louvers for shading. There will be an integrated brick on the lower level to create the UF experience. The courtyard area is a green space, and the lower level is the brick and a covered walkway around the buildings. He discussed the materials of the buildings and showed how the layouts of the buildings would be. The committee asked where the historic is tied into this building. This is a transition building to show some elements of the surrounding buildings but will transition to show the eyebrows, brick, and precast panels. The committee asked about the crosswalk in this area. The design team stated there will be a signal at this crosswalk. The committee asked if there could be more brick added on the face of the building to increase the UF experience. The project will be coming back for Design Development.

**Motion:**      **Tom Dana made the motion to approve the Advance Schematic Design phase as presented.**

**Second:**      **Brent Carr**

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

**III.      OTHER BUSINESS**

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 PM.