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Megan Forbes, Chair
Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee
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Dear Ms. Forbes:

After reviewing the minutes of the Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee meeting held on June 4, 2019, please note the following:

1. Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee approved the UF-373 FLMNH Special Collections project as presented.

I approve the committee's recommendation as presented.

2. Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee approved demolition of WRUF-UPD building and not save the tower.

I approve the committee's recommendation as presented.

Sincerely,

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

Curtis A. Reynolds
Vice President for Business Affairs

cc: Committee Members
Erik Lewis

LAND USE AND FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

June 04, 2019

**Planning, Design & Construction
Conference Room 235 Stadium**

ATTENDEES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Davenport, Physiological Sciences
Linda Dixon, Planning, Design & Construction
Carlos Dougnac, AVP, Planning, Design & Construction
Margaret Fields, Associate Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Megan Forbes, Chair, English Language Institute
Scott Fox, Transportation & Parking
Kevin Heinicka, IFAS Facilities Planning & Operations
Mark Helms, AVP, Facility Services Division
Craig Hill, VP's Office – Business Affairs
Jacqueline Miller, Florida Natural History Museum
William (Bill) Smith, Assistant Director, Operations, University Athletics Association
Bradley Walters, Associate Professor, School of Architecture

MEMBERS ABSENT:

James Austin, Associate Professor, Wildlife Ecology
Missy Daniels, Growth Management, Alachua County
Terence Delahunty, III, Student
John Diaz, Assistant Professor, Agricultural Education and Communication
David Enriquez, Student
Alyson Flournoy, Professor, College of Law
Timothy Garrett, Associate Professor, Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine
Gail Hansen De Chapmen, Chair, Lakes, Vegetation & Landscaping Committee
Carrie Harmon, Sr. Associate, Plant Pathology
Marty Hylton, Chair of PHB&S, Libraries
Andrew Kelly, Student
Dave Kramer, Associate Director, EH&S
Graciela Lorca, Associate Professor, Microbiology and Cell Science
Mary Lusk, Extension Agent – IFAS Extension
Carol McAuliffe, Assistant University Librarian
Andrew Persons, Director, Department of Doing, City of Gainesville
Keith Rambo, Engineer, Electrical & Computer Engineering
Katherine Sayler, Research Assistant Professor, Wildlife Ecology and Conservation
Jay Watkins, University Bands, School of Music
Matt Williams, Director, Office of Sustainability
Samantha Wisely, Associate Professor, Wildlife Ecology
Timothy Young, Sr. Associate, Academic Advising Center

VISITORS:

Melissa Thomas, Planning, Design & Construction
Joey Mandese, Project Manager, Planning, Design & Construction
Frank Javaheri, Director of Construction, Planning, Design & Construction

Cydney McGlothlin, University Architect, Planning, Design & Construction
Doug Jones, Director of FLMNH, FL Museum of Natural History
Erik Lewis, Sr. Planner, Planning, Design, & Construction

CHAIR: Megan Forbes, Chair, English Language Institute

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Megan Forbes at 2:00pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Paul Davenport moved to approve the agenda and minutes for April 02, 2019; Margaret Fields seconded; motion passed unanimously.

UF- 373 FLMNH Special Collections:

PRESENTING: Joey Mandese

DISCUSSION:

Joey Mandese introduced himself and showed the proposed location of the new building behind the existing Florida Museum of Natural History. He said that they were in the programming phase and that he was asking for site approval. He discussed the history and background of the project. There are specimens stored in various places around campus and that many are located in non-code compliant and unsecured storage areas. Doug Jones, the director of the Florida Museum spoke about the different specimens and where they are presently located and that these areas are not equipped to house these items. The goal is to provide a single, up to date, and controlled wet collection facility that is easily accessible to Powell Hall.

Joey is working with the design team to minimize the tree impacts, define the NATL entrance, as well as the overall building layout. It is currently planned as a two story building with a controlled environment. The Doyle Conner Building may let UF use their existing access road, but road enhancements may be needed. If this road is accessible there will be very little impacts to the trees and to the entrance of the NATL trail. We are also looking into increasing the signage for the NATL trail to direct pedestrians to the trail.

MOTION: Bradley Walters moved to approve the project as presented; motion was seconded by Jacqueline Miller and passed unanimously.

WRUF-UPD Case Study Report:

PRESENTING: Erik Lewis

DISCUSSION:

Erik Lewis stated he was here today to seek approval to demolish the WRUF, old radio station, which is now the UPD building. He went over the background of the building and noted it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1989. He also went over the historic district on campus and showed it was not in that area of campus. The building was opened in 1928 as the WRUF radio station. In 1955 the University of Florida Police Department moved into this building as their administration building. Since then there have been two minor renovations on the exterior. There was a galvanized

doorway metal patio roof attached to the south side of the building and an enclosure of the angle niche on the northeast corner by two right angled, horizontal-lapped board walls to make an enclosed utility room. The interior has been extensively remodeled.

He stated the building has been gutted and it has no floors in 2/3 of the building. The building had drainage issues, which cause the water to go under the building. This caused an increase in mold to development in the building and now the building is uninhabitable because of these drainage and mold issues. It was estimated at \$300 to 400K to get the building back up and running. The original historic register met criterion A (because of its contribution to the growth of radio as an agricultural communication medium and it was a training ground for broadcasters and communications engineers) and criterion C (this is the only example of the Tudor Revival style structure on the University of Florida campus).

He showed pictures of the existing building and the outside seems to be intact. Before UF can approve it to be demolished the University of Florida and the Department of State/Division of Historical Resources (DHR) have to follow processes in our Programmatic Memorandum of Agreement (PMOA). The first action was a Project Case Report (PCR) which was prepared by UF to document the reasons why preservation of the property is not feasible. This was reviewed by DHR and they recommended that UF explore alternatives to demolition. If UF determines preservation of the property is not feasible, then UF will comply with documentation and mitigation provisions of Stipulations V.1.B. and V.1.C. in the POMA before proceeding with demolition.

MOTION: Jacqueline Miller moved to approve the demolition of the Building; motion was seconded by Paul Davenport and passed unanimously.

Paul Davenport made a motion to not save the tower; motion was seconded by Bradley Walters and passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Megan would like to elect a new chair if anyone is interested or has questions they can reach out to Megan.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 02, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50pm.