# MINUTES UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SYSTEM BOARD OF REGENTS FACILITIES, CONSTRUCTION AND MASTER PLANNING COMMITTEE

<u>Thursday, February 18, 2016</u> – The members of the Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee ("FCMP") of The University of Houston System Board of Regents convened at 1:54 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at the University of Houston, Student Center Ballroom, Room 210, Second Floor, 4455 University Drive, Houston, Texas, with the following members participating:

### ATTENDANCE -

Present

Welcome W. Wilson, Jr., Chair Spencer D. Armour III, Vice Chair Beth Madison, Member Paula M. Mendoza, Regent Garrett H. Hughey, Student Regent Tilman J. Fertitta, Ex Officio Non-Member(s) Present
Durga D. Agrawal, Regent
Gerald W. McElvy, Regent
Peter K. Taaffe, Regent
Roger F. Welder, Regent

In accordance with a notice being timely posted with the Secretary of State and there being a quorum in attendance, Chair of the Committee, Welcome W. Wilson, Jr. called the meeting to order and moved to approve the first order of business the minutes from the August 20, 2015 Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee meeting.

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### **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **Action Items:**

1. Approval of Minutes – Item B

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Madison, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the following minutes from the meeting listed below was approved.

• August 20, 2015, Facilities, Construction and Master Planning Committee Meeting

Following the approval of the minutes, Regent Wilson, Jr. stated the committee would be presented three (3) approval items for their consideration and he asked Mr. Jim McShan, Interim Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance to introduce the first action item for their consideration as noted below.

2. <u>Approval is requested to update the University of Houston Sugar Land Master Plan,</u> including the Academic Building Project Site – University of Houston – Item C, FCMP-C.

Mr. McShan stated that the committee would be presented an update of the UH Sugar Land Master Plan as well as the site location for the new academic building. This new academic building would be approximately 150,000 square feet; and the primary academic programs in this new building would be for the UH College of Technology, College of Education, and Bauer College of Business. Mr. McShan introduced Ms. Patricia Oliver, Dean of the College of Architecture, who presented the update on the UH Sugar Land Master Plan. A slide presentation was given and below is a brief summary of her remarks.

- There are currently three (3) buildings on the UH Sugar Land campus:
  - (a) Brazos Hall 145,000 gross square foot (GSF) building and is two-thirds occupied by Wharton Junior College;
  - (b) George Building 57,000 GSF building; and
  - (c) University Branch Library
- Improvements to the site were addressed, such as: storm water drainage channels; existing topographic depressions and existing access easements.
- The intent of the UH Sugar Land Master Plan was to achieve the first phase which would be 8,000 students for this location. It is anticipated that this would take two (2) additional buildings. The first building slated for construction is approximately 150,000 GSF and is being planned for its current location due to its premium accessibility and visibility from the freeway clearly showing a UH presence. The second building would return to the current cluster of buildings that currently exist.
- The full view of the proposed plan was shown.

Mr. McShan clarified for the committee that this request was actually the first UH Sugar Land Master Plan being submitted for their consideration and approval which outlined the vision moving forward (they were not being asked to update or modify it); and they would approve the location of the first building only. The last slide was a visual of what the campus might look like in the future.

Regent Wilson, Jr. commented that the words "premium visibility" was used in the presentation. He personally commented that if we were going to position the first building where it was currently being slated that if there were not enough funds to make it an entryway, showcase representing the best campus in Sugar Land, the Board may want to revisit the location of the building as it would be the face of UH Sugar Land and it needs to be a first class building.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the request to update the University of Houston Sugar Land Master Plan including the Academic Building Project site was approved.

Regent Wilson, Jr. stated the next two (2) action items would be presented together as follows:

3. <u>Approval is requested for revisions to the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee</u> Procedures Manual – University of Houston System, Item D – FCMP-D; and

4. Approval is requested for appointment of Committee members and appointment term for the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee (SWAAC) – University of Houston System, Item E – FCMP-E.

Before presenting these two (2) action items, Mr. McShan introduced Mr. David Oliver, the new Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities, Planning and Construction, who joined the . Department in September 2015. Regent Armour commented that, not only personally but on behalf of the Board, he wanted to thank Mr. Oliver for the improvement in the landscaping around the campus since he started his tenure at UH. Regent Armour noted there has been a significant improvement and it looks so much better than it has been since his first day on the job!

Mr. McShan moved to Item D, the request for revisions to the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee (SWAAC) Procedures Manual. This item was specifically to modify the SWAAC procedures. The requested change requested was to allow SWAAC to increase the percentage allocated to its operating and conservation budget from 10% to an amount that was recommended annually by the SWAAC Committee to the leadership of Administration and Finance based on committee strategic goals. Currently, the University of Houston's Public Art Collection is the largest in the state of Texas and it is important to be able to promote it especially since the College of the Arts has been added to the University of Houston campus. The SWAAC Committee also has a number of members from not only UH but from the Arts community as well.

Regent Madison brought to mind that the committee might also consider the location of some of the works of art that are currently displayed on campus so that they can be showcased in the best possible way for the public's viewing. Chancellor Khator stated that the University of Houston had over 400+ pieces of art and that UH could be a destination for individuals to come here to view the art. Dr. Khator said she was trying to put the word "public" back in to "public art." If the public cannot see it, reach it, and we don't have programming, it's not public art! The SWAAC Committee was very favorable to the changes; and with the new language being considered, it is all about the presentation of the art; making it accessible; and making it enjoyable for the public.

Mr. McShan moved to Item E which was also related to the SWAAC Committee. This item was requesting the appointment of Committee members and appointment term for the SWAAC Committee. There were two individuals appointed who would replace existing members as follows:

- (a) Dr. Susan Baker, University of Houston-Downtown, would replace Dr. Floyd Newsum, University of Houston-Downtown, whose term expires on August 31, 2016. Dr. Baker is Professor of Art History at UHD; holds a Ph.D. in Art History from the University of Kansas; and is an expert in modern American painting between the Wars.
- (b) Mr. Mark Cervenka, University of Houston-Downtown, is an alternate representative. The University of Houston-Downtown added Mr. Cervenka as an alternate to the SWAAC Committee, which is an option in the current committee operating procedures. Mr. Cervenka earned his Master of Fine Arts from Claremont Graduate University and

Bachelor of Fine Art and Bachelor of English from the University of Texas, Austin; and he has 22 years of gallery curatorial and management experience.

On motion of Regent Armour, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the following two (2) action items were approved by the committee as follows:

- 1. Approval is requested for revisions to the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee Procedures Manual University of Houston System; and
- 2. Approval is requested for appointment of Committee members and appointment term for the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee (SWAAC) University of Houston System.

Following the approval of these items, Regent Wilson, Jr. called for a motion to place all three (3) action items presented to the committee on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval.

On motion of Regent Madison, seconded by Regent Mendoza, and by a unanimous vote of the members in attendance, the items listed below will be placed on the Board's Consent Docket Agenda for final Board approval at the Board of Regents meeting being held later today, February 18, 2016 as follows:

- 1. Approval is requested to update the University of Houston Sugar Land Master Plan, including the Academic Building Project Site University of Houston;
- 2. Approval is requested for revisions to the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee Procedures Manual University of Houston System; and
- 3. Approval is requested for appointment of Committee members and appointment term for the System-wide Art Acquisition Committee (SWAAC) University of Houston System.

It was noted that no Executive Session would be held.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

All documentation submitted to the Committee in support of the foregoing action items, including but not limited to "Passed" agenda items and supporting documentation presented to the Committee, is incorporated herein and made a part of these minutes for all purposes; however, this does not constitute a waiver of any privileges contained herein.

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# Others Present:

Renu Khator Jim McShan Paula Myrick Short Dona Cornell

Ramanan Krishnamoorti Richie Hunter Jason Smith Eloise Dunn Stuhr Richard Walker

Michael Olivas

Raymond "Vic" Morgan

William Staples
Mike Johnson
Don Guyton
Bob Browand
Brian Thomas
Matthew Joseph

Fatemeh A. Mirghassemi

Doug Erwing Maggie Manley Rebecca Hennes Gerry Mathisen Raymond Bartlett
Emily Messa
David Ellis
Michelle Dotter
David Bradley
Ed Hugetz
Wayne Beran
Dan Maxwell
Shannon Harrison
Deidre Garcia

Bob McPherson Iggy Harrison Dana Rooks Floyd Robertson Andrew Davis Grace Schwarz Shannon Keen Ben Wermund Marquette Hobbs

Thomas Tillotson

Jeffrey Cass

David Oliver
Patricia Oliver
David Bradley
Sabrina Hassumani
Abner Fletcher
Owen Fassett
Phil Booth
Dick Phillips
Chris Stanich
Jonathan Snow
Willie Munson

Don Price
Esmeralda Valdez
Mark Yzaguirre
Mike Glisson
Jesse Pisors
Jeffrey Hong
Quinn Edgecombe
Brinda Penmetsa
Mei Chang
Brenda Robles