

Preferred Plans

The Preferred Plan represents a culmination of the Phase 2 master planning process, whereby issues, goals and observations collected in Phase 1 were applied to the campus at a macro scale, representing “the 10,000 foot view with a thirty year horizon.” After generating varied planning approaches, the consultant team examined and discussed these concepts at various committee and town hall meetings, including additional input as the process evolved. A singular approach which best represents the consensus direction of the campus plan emerged as a result of this process- the Preferred Plan. Due to each Side of campus having its own unique set of issues, a Preferred Plan for both East and West Sides is presented independently. With enhanced campus connections of bus, bike and pedestrian routes (outlined later in this Report), the two sides of campus will have better linkages to support interdisciplinary learning and research.

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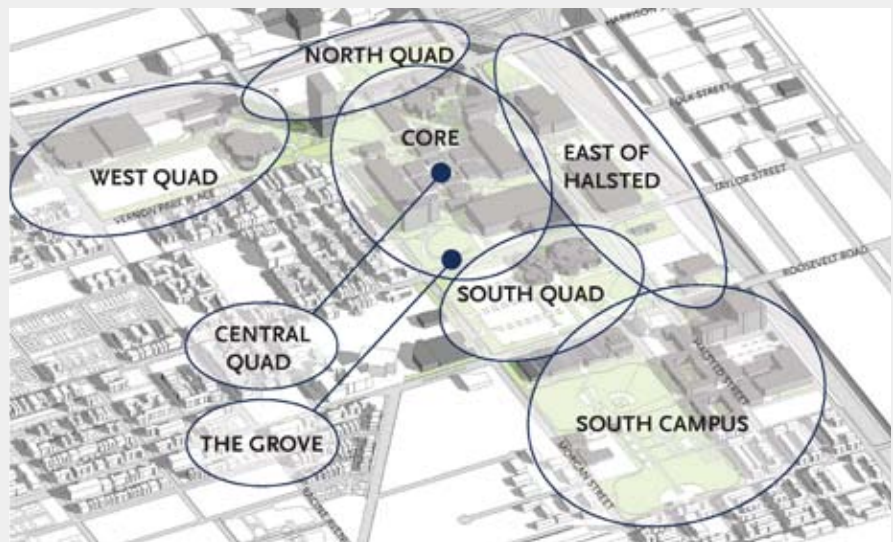
EAST SIDE

The Preferred Plan for the East Side of campus reflects the comments and input gathered from the work sessions mentioned above (listed in detail at the end of the East Side Approaches), and take into account specific Space Needs, which are listed on Page 32.

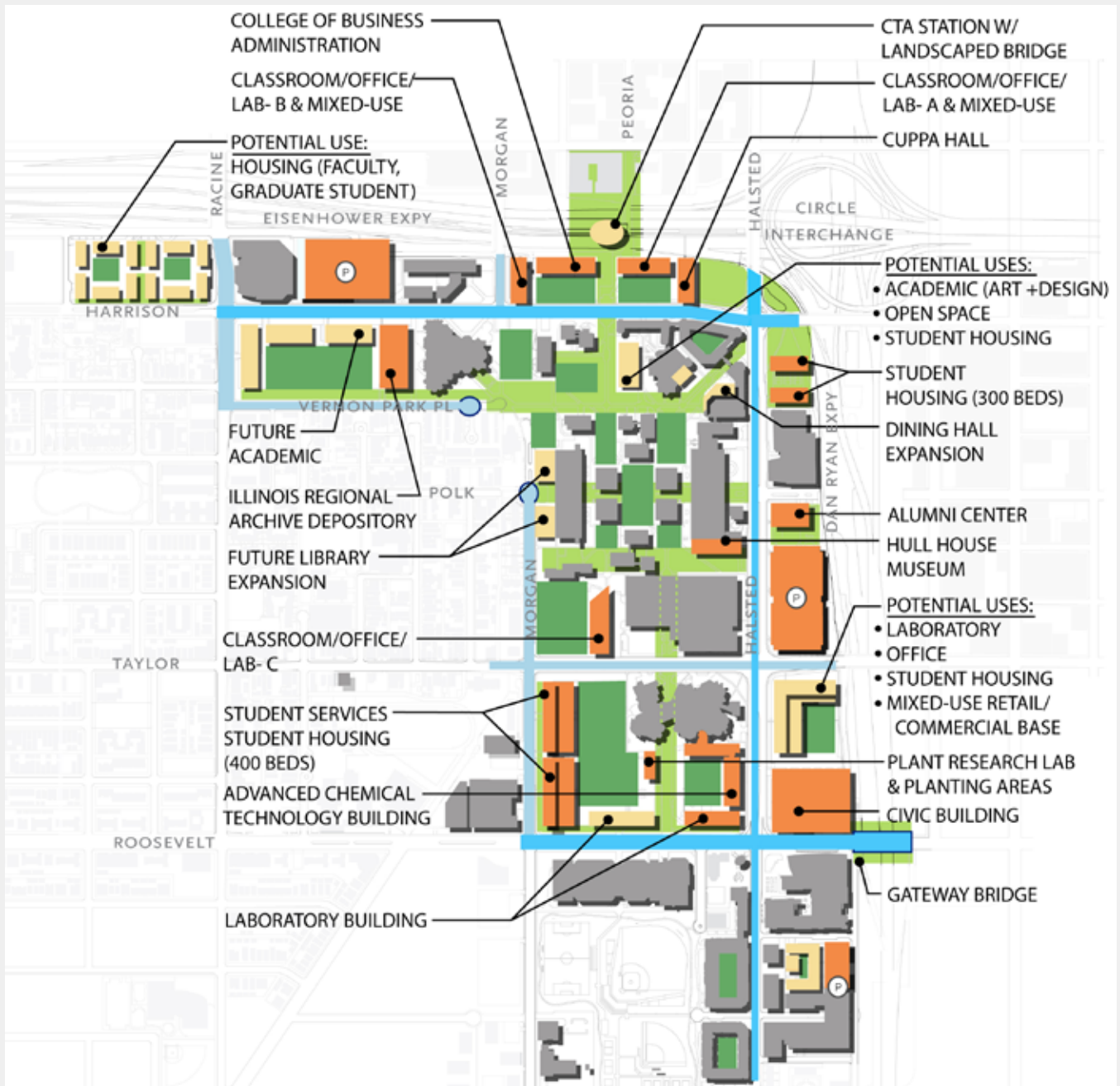
ORGANIZING PRINCIPLES:

Reinforce the perimeter with new building development. Expand and re-energize the existing internal campus landscape.

- Organize campus into definable districts based on building and open space clusters (see District Map below).
- Concentrate building development at the street edge along West Harrison, Halsted, Morgan, and Roosevelt.
- Establish signature landscapes at the Central Quad, South Quad, North Quad.
- Refresh and expand central campus landscapes at University Hall and the Grove.
- Remove Lecture Centers B & E to open up the Central Quad.
- Forge a formalized entry landscape focused on the CTA station at Peoria, connecting with the neighborhood to the north with a signature gateway to campus (funded by transportation funding - not by UIC).



East Side District Map



East Side Preferred Plan

East Side

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Legend

- Proposed Building Site
- Connective Greenways
- Green Places
- Campus Streetscape
- City Streetscape
- Opportunity Sites beyond space needs
- Main Pedestrian pathways

The Preferred Plan combines elements of all three initial Approaches. The Central Quad reconfiguration begins with the deletion of existing Lecture Centers B & E, freeing space for a significant transformation of a green center for the East Side. The Grove is edited to allow a diagonal pedestrian connection to Taylor Street directly from the Central Quad. Four infill buildings begin the densification of the campus: a lecture hall facing The Grove; an expanded Hull House Museum south of the SCE; an Art & Design Hall adjacent to Art & Architecture; and the IRAD immediately west of the BSB. Later expansion anticipates three future Quads: academic buildings along Harrison at Racine Streets as West Quad; new academic buildings north of Harrison at Peoria Streets as North Quad, functioning as the gateway between the CTA and campus; and new academic and residential buildings on Lot 5 as South Quad, anchored by a relocated Student Services. Additionally, along Halsted Street, more student housing, civic buildings, and an Alumni Center are envisioned. Also, surface parking lots campus-wide are consolidated into new or expanded structured garages along Harrison and Halsted Streets.



East Side Preferred Plan Axonometric looking northeast

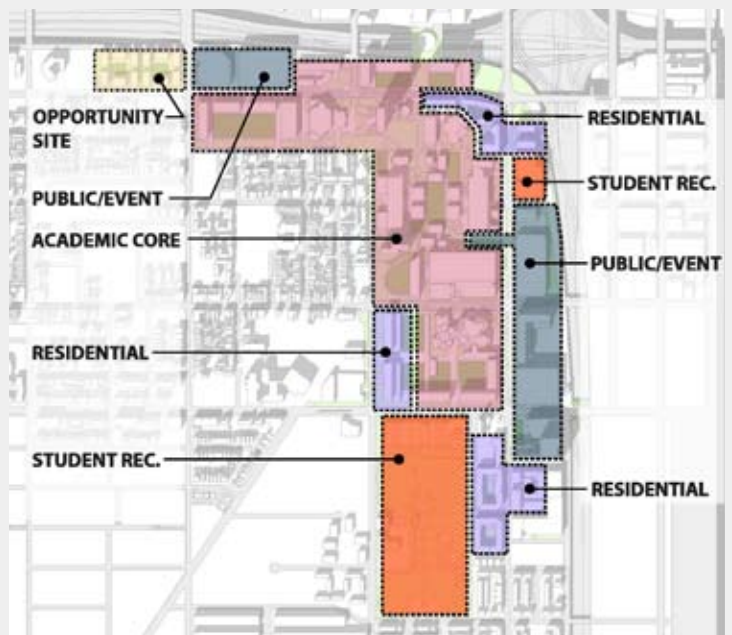
EXISTING BUILDINGS TO BE DEMOLISHED

The following list includes existing buildings which are to be demolished as part of the East Side plan. The functions of these buildings will be relocated to other new or existing buildings.

- Student Services Building
- Harrison Street Parking Structure
- Lecture Center B
- Lecture Center E
- Plant Research Laboratory
- Roosevelt Road Building

LAND USE

- Create a third residential district at the South Quad (Lot 5) as a gateway to the Taylor Street corridor
- Shift Student Services from Racine Avenue to Taylor Street as a pedestrian anchor
- Position public buildings along Harrison and Halsted Streets for proximity to structured parking garages



East Side Preferred Plan Land Use Diagram

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EAST SIDE- CENTRAL QUAD

Since all Approaches included this key aspect of the Preferred Plan, the Central Quad is highlighted here as part of the Preferred Plan. The removal of Lecture Halls B and E allow for the reconfiguration of the Central Quad into a signature landscape. The site walls and expansive paving (Figures 22.1 & 23.1) of the Central Quad would be transformed into a balanced landscape of grass, paving and trees, allowing for greater pedestrian flow through the space (Figures 22.2 & 23.2). An all-season water feature would be a primary component of the Central Quad reorganization, providing an audible and visual activation to the landscape across each day and season. (Note that the Figures 22.2 & 23.2 represent master planning sketches to spur discussion of the possibilities available to this space, rather than a developed design concept).



Figure 22.1 Existing Quad Aerial View



Figure 22.2 Quad Aerial View



Figure 23.1 Existing Central Quad



Figure 23.2 New "vision" of Central Quad Perspective

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WEST SIDE

The Preferred Plan for the West Side of campus reflects comments and input gathered from several committees and town hall meetings and take into account specific Space Needs which are listed on Page 49. The concepts and direction of the Preferred Plan will act as the basis by which the Master Plan Phase 3 development will begin.

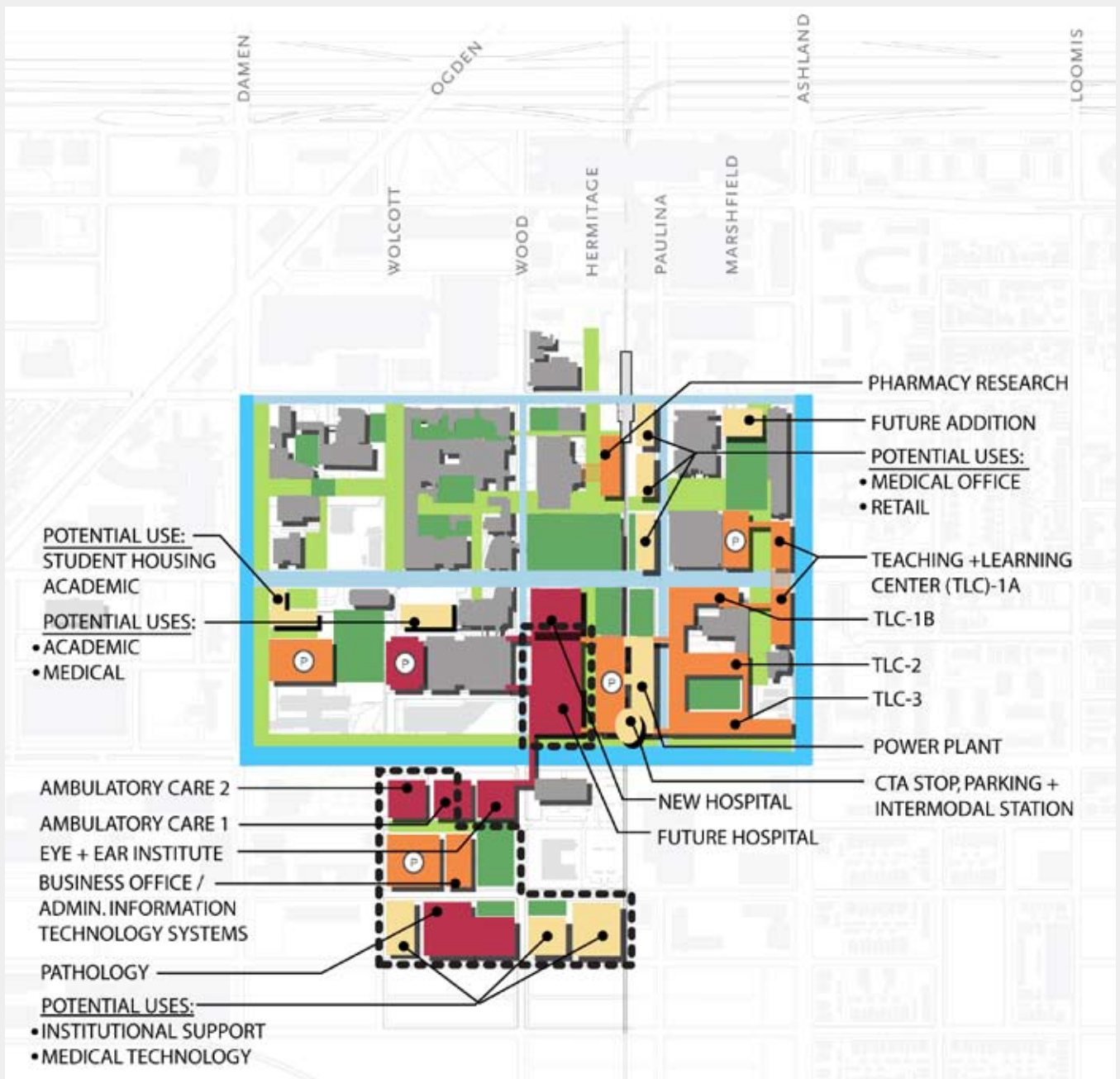
ORGANIZING PRINCIPLES:

Focus medical center expansion as a “destination or neighborhood” south of Roosevelt Road while consolidating infill expansion to the east end of the West Side.

- Expand south of Roosevelt Road to create a sense of place and destination with appropriate green space and parking.
- Infill along all UIC-owned land fronting the north and south side of Roosevelt Road to create an identity along the street frontage (three blocks long).
- In order to create a consolidated Teaching Learning Center (TLC), infill the eastern side of campus by demolishing Disability, Health, & Social Policy Building.
- Create an academic gateway to the West Side with a building at Ashland Avenue and Taylor Street, centered on the new Marshfield greenway, that becomes the “face” of the West Side.
- Create a connective greenway system to provide midblock pedestrian routes.



West Side Preferred Plan axonometric looking southwest



West Side

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Legend

- Proposed Building Site
- Proposed Medical Center Building
- Connective Greenways
- Green Places
- Campus Streetscape
- City Streetscape
- Opportunity Sites beyond space needs
- Pedestrian Pathways
- Non-UIC-owned Land

This Preferred Plan is a combination of all three of the original Approaches. Bringing medical center functions south of Roosevelt Road and creating a neighborhood with adequate parking and mass transit connections is derived from the South Expansion & South Extension approaches. The infill of the east end of the West Side with a consolidated TLC, as proposed in Dense Core, allows for a phased facility that connects to one of the larger existing buildings, SPHPI. This opportunity will allow for a new image of the medical center with buildings flanking both sides of Roosevelt Road and an academic gateway at Ashland and Taylor Streets. Throughout, a new landscape will be created to provide significant open space and connective pathways that will become a key feature of this unique district that combines a medical center and health science academic facilities.



West Side Preferred Plan Axonometric looking northwest

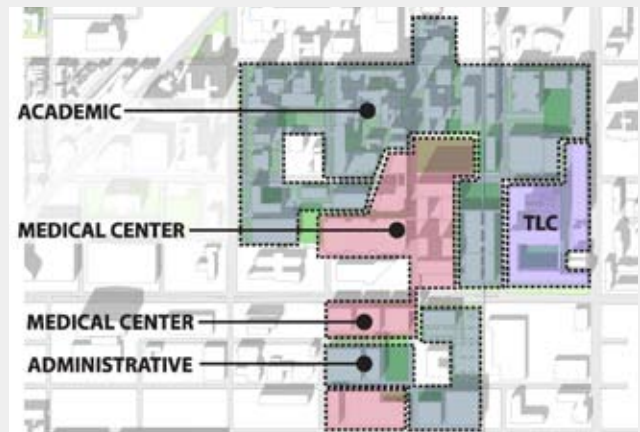
EXISTING BUILDINGS TO BE DEMOLISHED

The following list includes existing buildings which are to be demolished as part of the West Side plan. The functions of these buildings will be relocated to other new or existing buildings.

- Applied Health Sciences Building
- Eye and Ear Infirmary
- University of Illinois at Chicago Hospital
- Medical Center Steam Plant
- Central Refrigeration Plant
- Environmental Safety Facility
- Hazardous Materials Storage
- CMS Police Building
- Paulina Street Building
- Marshfield Avenue Building
- Disability, Health and Social Policy Building

LAND USE

- Anchor new academic facilities (TLC) at the east end with gateway anchor location at Ashland/Taylor
- Create a new district south of Roosevelt Road for patient care that contains its own parking and other support functions/amenities.
- Expand the Medical Center south to Roosevelt Road from the existing hospital along Wood Street



West Side Preferred Plan Land Use Diagram

