Campus Master Plan Physical Facilities

Executive Overview

Introduction:

The first comprehensive Master Plan for the University of Illinois at Chicago was approved by the Trustees in May 1990. Since the adoption of this plan, a considerable number of changes have occurred, and several new planning opportunities and initiatives have commenced. This Master Plan Overview is to refresh and inform the Trustees on the basic structure of the Master Plan, to provide an update of the developments of the past few years, and to provide a focus and vision to the future so that informed, coordinated, and effective decisions relating to the physical development of the Campus can be made.

In recognition of the many changes and initiatives which have occurred, then Chancellor Stukel appointed an Ad-Hoc Master Planning Advisory Committee to prepare recommendations for updating the UIC Master Plan.

West Side



East Side



Master Plan Purpose

Provide visionary development guidelines from which campus leadership can make informed, coordinated and cost-effective decisions.



Master Plan - West Side

1990



Master Plan - East Side

1965

Historical Perspective:

West Side:

In 1859 the Chicago College of Pharmacy was founded on the near-west side of Chicago, and in 1881 land was purchased in this same area for the College of Physicians and Surgeons. These colleges are the forerunners of the UIC Medical Center. The original purchase of a 95 by 100 foot lot for the College of Physicians and Surgeons has grown into a west side complex of 5.6 million square feet encompassing 45 buildings on 66 acres of land.

East Side:

In 1946, a temporary two-year undergraduate division of the University of Illinois was established at Navy Pier. In 1965, the University of Illinois at Chicago Circle was opened. In 1982, the campuses were consolidated under a single chancellor as the University of Illinois at Chicago.

In total, the Campus has about 100 buildings on 217 acres of land, with roughly 11 million square feet of space, having a replacement value of approximately \$2.4 billion.

Assumptions Underlying the Master Plan:

• The east side core will continue to be the center for undergraduate instruction. Future instructional facilities will be constructed to support those functions.

Growth in the sciences as well as in research activities will continue and will generate an increasing demand for research space. Future facilities will need to be constructed in close proximity to existing science and research activities.

In order to respond to development opportunities, the Campus must continue its efforts to procure strategic sites and to plan for future space and facilities whose use will correspond to future academic, research and clinical needs.

 Growth as a residential university will increase demand for housing and related support facilities

The "Academic Way" and associated green spaces will create pedestrian oriented corridors that will be a unifying element on the east and west side of the campus.

Campus Zones

For over the past 100+ years, a cluster of facilities has developed to support each college, primarily the College of Medicine. This trend should/will continue. The plan allows each college growth potential near its existing facilities by providing sites for future buildings or for accommodating additions to existing facilities.





The organization of campus land use into zones improves the convenience and enhances orientation by creating logical functional groupings. By clustering functions with similar needs together, operational efficiency can also be improved.



The Campus Planning Objectives are achieved through the careful planning of the Master Plan systems (framework systems in the '90 master plan) which are the fundamental determinants of campus organization, appearance and function. They include:

- Open Space
- Pedestrian Circulation
- Development Zones (formerly development patterns in the '90 MP)
- Vehicular Circulation and Access
- Parking
- Service and Utilities
- Historic Buildings
- Program Accommodations

Master Plan Campus Systems



Automobile Access



Historic Building



Campus Infrastructure



Parking Accommodations



Program Accommodations



Service Access







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PLANNING CHANGES SINCE THE COMPLETION OF THE MASTER PLAN IN 1990



Master Plan Changes:

The changes to the Master Plan include the following:

West Side:

- Construction of the Molecular Biology Research Building
- Planning for the Ambulatory Care Facility
- Definition of the College of Medicine and School of Public Health Facility needs
- Planning for new College of Medicine Building
- Wood Street Parking Structure expansion
- Planning for the Paulina Street Parking Structure

West Side Themes: (from Ad Hoc Committee report)

- Relinquish claim to crime lab and retail sites
- Establish service district
- Expand south of Roosevelt Road to compensate for State Crime Lab and retail use by IMD

Advantages:

- Consistent with 1990 Master Plan
- Strong edges
- Includes Service Use District
- Maintains presence on Damen
- Eliminates conflict with State Crime Lab and retail use commitments

Disadvantages:

- Loss of previously identified property
- Eliminates presence on Ashland Ave. south of Roosevelt Road

East Side:

- Construction of the Addition to the Student Residence and Commons
- Removal of the elevated walkways and campus core renovations
- Remodeling for Student Services Building
- Construction of the Engineering Research Facility

East Side - South Expansion:

- Acquisition of south expansion properties
- Construction of recreation and athletic fields
- Construction of Transportation Facility and Telecommunication node
- Planning for the Police Station renovation
- Acquisition of existing warehouse buildings





Importance of Safety and Image:

- Creating and maintaining a safe and attractive campus environment:
- Helps in the recruiting of students and faculty
- Enhances the learning environment
- Generates positive attitudes among parents, alumni, potential donors, and visitors
- Contributes to the quality of the community













Statement of UIC Interest in Adjacent Land Use, Property Conditions & Areas of Special Interest:

"UIC and its environs are the product of careful planning and development. As an urban institution, UIC is concerned about the use and condition of adjacent properties. It is desirable that the use of adjacent properties be consistent with UIC uses. Adiacent properties should be well maintained, and should present an appearance that is consistent with the high quality of the surrounding development. The University should exercise its responsibility as a member of the community by working cooperatively with the City of Chicago and property owners to ensure appropriate use and upkeep of adjacent properties. Subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois. the University may elect, from time to time, to purchase nearby properties not included in its master plan in order to meet its programmatic needs or to prevent and/or remedy inappropriate uses or unsightly conditions".

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