01 INTRODUCTIONS

02 PROCESS – TIME LINE

03 MASTER PLAN GOALS

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05 COMMUNITY INPUT
   (listening session)
INTRODUCTIONS
Interdisciplinary design firm specializing in higher education
Campus Planning:

Arizona State University
Duke University
Emory University
Gateway Community College
Johns Hopkins University
Harvard University
Montana State University
Northern Arizona University
Rutgers University
University of Arizona
University of Chicago
University of Colorado, Colorado Springs
University of Georgia
University of Kentucky
University of Maryland
University of Massachusetts Amherst
University of New Mexico at Rio Rancho
University of North Carolina Chapel Hill
University of North Texas
University of Notre Dame
University of Rochester
University of Southern California HSC
University of Virginia
University of Wisconsin Madison
Wake Forest University
A Research Based Approach

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A Strong Local Team

**LCA Architects**
- local liaison
- 40 year history in Boise, ID
- Over 80 Projects on the Boise State Campus

**The Land Group**
- Landscape architecture + civil engineering
- Substantial number of projects on the campus

**Kittelson & Associates**
- Transportation engineers
- 2010 Boise State Campus Circulation Plan
The Process is as Important as the Product
Participatory & Inclusive
Iterative
Project Kick-Off

Observations & Analysis
Conceptual Plan - Boise State University
02 PROCESS

Project Kick-Off
Observations & Analysis
Conceptual Plans

Precinct Studies
Project Kick-Off → Observations & Analysis → Conceptual Plans

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02 PROCESS
Boise State University Campus Master Plan Update

Site Visit-Kick-off: August 23, 2013
Stakeholder Interviews: August 23, September 11, October 17
Workshop #1 - Observations: September 19-20
Workshop #2 - Concepts: October 7-8
Community Meeting: October 17
Workshop #3 - Phasing + Draft Plan: mid-November? (TBD)
Draft Plan Open Forums: early 2014? (TBD)
Final Plan: spring 2014
03

MASTER PLAN GOALS
OBJECTIVES
Campus Master Plan

One of three planning tools:

**What** – strategic plan establishes need + direction

**Where** – master plan guides physical development

**How** – financial plan facilitates implementation

03 MASTER PLAN GOALS
• **Integrate** key principles and objectives from past Master Plans

• Reflect the 2012 **Strategic Plan**
  1) high-quality educational experience
  2) timely attainment of educational goals
  3) Gain distinction as a doctoral research university
  4) Align programs-activities with community needs
  5) Transform operations to serve the mission
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2005-08 Plan Goals

Framework for the Plan Update

A. Flexibility to meet changing 21st Century demands
B. Integrate Boise River Greenbelt into campus
C. Reinforce a Pedestrian Campus Environment
D. Urban University and a good neighbor
A. Flexibility to meet changing demands
Framework Goal A:
Plan flexibility to meet changing demands

- Identify project sites that can accommodate a variety of uses
- Anticipate future expansions, modifications and upgrades
- Equip new buildings for changing technology
- Group facilities to promote interdisciplinary programs and research
- Build new facilities at least 3 stories tall to conserve future sites
B. Integrate Boise River Greenbelt into campus
Framework Goal B:
Integrate Boise River Greenbelt

- Treat the riverfront as a frontage not a service zone
- Link internal open spaces and paths to the greenbelt
- Orient new buildings, expansions and open spaces to the greenbelt
- Reinforce a pedestrian environment along the greenbelt
- Develop appropriate access to the waters edge
- Limit vehicular circulation along the greenbelt
- Increase access to Julia Davis Park
CONCEPT – add bridges, connections through the campus
CONCEPT – extend greenway pedestrian improvements
C. Reinforce a Pedestrian Campus Environment
Framework Goal C: Pedestrian Campus Environment

- Give priority to pedestrians, cyclists and transit users
- Provide a consistent, connected system of open spaces and paths
- Provide pathways that are direct and adequate
- Provide frequent links to the Boise River
- Develop a hierarchy of paths to create a system
- Discourage auto traffic on University Drive
- Develop peripheral parking with direct paths to campus core
- Disperse surface parking to not dominate or disrupt circulation
Existing Pedestrian, Bike Circulation

+15 min walk to get across campus
CONCEPT PLAN
Framework Goal D: Urban University and Good Neighbor

- On-campus activity all day: residential + cultural uses
- Encourage commercial and shared uses on campus edges
- Provide appropriate transitions at campus edges
- Develop compatible uses to adjacent neighborhoods
- Provide a positive sense of campus arrival
- Complement efforts to revitalize Boise’s central city
Knit campus into the URBAN fabric
A Research Based Approach

COLLEGE TOWNS

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COMMERCIAL COLLEGE TOWN STREET HAS 15 TO 20,000 CARS PER DAY
STUDENT POPULATION ONLY PROVIDES 20% OF SALES FOR RETAIL
Campus Gateways
Pedestrian Connections
River Connections
Development Areas
UPDATE: Projects Since 2005 Master Plan

- Micron Business and Economics Building
- Interactive Teaching & Learning Center
- Arguinchnona Basketball Complex
- Caven-Williams Sports Complex
- Gene Bleymaier Football Complex
- Stueckle Sky Center
- Bronco Stadium Improvements
- Union Expansion
- Transit Center
- Environmental Research Building
- Lincoln Avenue Garage
- Recreation Addition
- Norco Building
- Lincoln Townhouses
- Recreation Field
UPDATE: Projects in Planning and Construction

- Fine Arts Building (in planning)
- Plaza - Green space (starting construction)
- Kinesiology + Bronco Gym (study)
- Athletic Field + Volleyball (in design)
- Alumni Center (in design)
- Science & Research Building (in planning)
Opportunities = Plan Updates

Areas where plan will be updated
Opportunities = Plan Updates
Issues = Landscape Character + Connectivity
Pedestrian Corridors. Open Spaces. Landscape Character.

Increase connections to the greenway?

Issues = Landscape Character + Connectivity
Weaving of Town and Gown
• College Town?
• Front Door?
• Public Venues and Interaction?
• Visitor Experience?

Knit campus into the URBAN fabric
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Issues = appropriate uses in expansion study areas
CHALLENGE: campus gateways, identity & edges
University Dr/Capitol Blvd/Boise Ave is at Capacity
Pedestrian crossings are limited and challenging to navigate
Development across Capitol Blvd puts additional pressure on Capitol Blvd
University Ave bisects expanded campus
University access limits from Lincoln to Euclid
Traffic impact on Boise Ave?

Issues = Transportation Challenges
Infrastructure Analysis - Site Utilities
COMMUNITY INPUT
OPEN TO Questions + comments
Community Questions + Comments:

- What will happen to the churches in the expansion zone?
- Martha Street Temple is the only Hindu Temple in the state, very important community, cultural and educational resource that should remain
- St Paul’s Catholic Church is a student center (i.e. Newman Center);
  - leases space to private school;
  - renovation and exterior upgrades are starting soon (funded with grant-donations), concerned about investment

*answer-responses indicated in italics where provided*
What is the timing of major projects in the new expansion areas?

• after previous master plans were announced some residents “panicked” and sold their homes to the university, but nothing has happened with those properties

response: University files 6 year Capital Improvements Plan annually, look on State Board web site for current projects planned; master plan will include proposed phasing (1-6 yrs; 6 - 10+ years; and long range land use capacity)

University needs to be a better landlord to be a ‘good neighbor’ -- generally supportive of BSU and need for facilities to support growth, but “we live here”.

• many homes owned by university become eyesores, yards not maintained.
• some homes are vacant which would be OK except they are obviously in disrepair; vacant lots are left with dirt and weeds gathering trash
• University owned homes rented by staff, faculty, married students or graduate students are great (nice families, some have been nicely fixed up).
• other house are rented to groups of students with 4-8 cars, they become party houses, multiple police calls don’t seem to help (Potter, Belmont streets); frat houses are problematic (one uses neighbor’s trash dumpster).
• neighborhood assigned police liaisons should be called about ‘party houses’
• University should take more direct responsibility, instead they hire property management firms to lease these properties and they don’t do a good job; rents are too low; tenants not screened or monitored; a past property management firm went bankrupt making bad situations even worse.
What are plans for vacant lot west of Lincoln apartments? *response: don’t know*

New rec field turned out better than expected, looks nice, well used, no parties.

When will the University expand south of Beacon? *response: no plans to expand further*

What other impacts will there be south of Beacon? *response: none?, plan is looking at best locations for pedestrian crossings on Beacon*

Will residents be able to tie into the geothermal line? *response: This is the City’s system, University has a designated allocation of energy; check with City about access; probably not an option for privately owned residential buildings*

Broadway bridge is difficult for pedestrians and cyclists *response: Broadway Bridge widening project starts soon (City + ADHD + I-DOT project)*

Parking on widened portion of Beacon blocks safe views for exiting neighborhood *response: City Councilperson said they would get ‘No parking’ sign close to the intersection*

Concern about busses on Joyce, Belmont, Juanita; streets too narrow and too many young children on these streets – safety concern.

- *school busses stop on Joyce and Boise*
- *daycare tots walk up Joyce*

*response: City council member stated that a shuttle bus to the College of Western Idaho campus may be using these streets to turn around – City will talk to VRT, coordinate with BSU circulation planning to identify a better route for shuttle bus turn-around*
Not happy about design of bike lanes (on Beacon, University, etc.):
• striping isn’t enough protection;
• debris is washed or blown to the curb/gutter and into the bike lane
• curb divider instead of the white line (cycle track design) would be better, safer

Will plan address BS service vehicles and the large number of golf carts?
• seem to drive everywhere, haphazardly
• pedestrian conflicts if the carts drive on the sidewalks
• better definition of service and golf cart routes could help

How can communications be improved with the University to track future planning and projects, address complaints and maintenance issues (and involve students)?

response: Campus-Community Relations Committee (CCRC) has worked on other campuses
• U of Arizona in Tucson, surrounded by historic neighborhoods has a CCRC
  • monthly CCRC meetings held on campus
  • includes 2 reps from each neighborhood association
  • UA design/construction staff on active construction projects attend
  • UA communications/public relations monitors, sometimes attends
  • agreed on standards which address ‘temporary parking lots’, yard maintenance and security of properties, etc.
  • CCRC web page (on U of A facilities page)
    • post notice of monthly CCRC meetings
    • post U of A monthly update on construction projects
    • posts info on any project related street closures
For the webpage where master plan materials will be posted:

http://www.boisestate.edu/
http://operations.boisestate.edu/campus-planning/
Campus Master Plan 2014

For information on upcoming master plan meetings:
http://operations.boisestate.edu/campus-masterplan-2014/outreach/

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