



Minutes #181

(Adopted May 14, 2019)

City of Seattle/University of Washington Community Advisory Committee (CUCAC)

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

6:30 – 8:30 PM

UW Tower

4333 Brooklyn Avenue, 22nd Floor

Seattle WA 98105

Attendees/CUCAC Members:

Doug Campbell

Matthew Fox

Colleen McAleer

Kay Kelly

Brian O’Sullivan

Barbara Krieger

John Gaines

Kerry Kahl

Reudi Risler

Sarah Swanberg

Ashley Emery

Jon Berkedal

Staff and Other Present:

Maureen Sheehan

Sally Clark

Lou Cariello

Aaron Hoard

1. Welcome and Introductions

Mr. John Gaines opened the meeting. Brief introductions followed.

2. Housekeeping

A motion was made to adopt the September 11 minutes as amended, and it was seconded. The Committee voted, and the motion was adopted.

3. Public Comments (02:07)

Mr. Gaines opened the discussion for public comments.

Ms. Clarissa Jarem of the ACC Tenant’s Association provided an update about the ongoing issues and concerns regarding ACC (American Campus Communities) and its properties. She commented that ACC recently communicated with the University of Washington about the issues and concerns presented by the tenants. She noted that these issues have not been properly addressed. ACC promised with a letter to UW and its residents about starting quarterly focus groups comprised of residents and they have not been done yet. ACC continues to violate and intimidate the tenant’s rights including billing issues, disabling exterior locks, and entering the resident’s units without permission or notifications.

Ms. Sally Clark commented that UW is having ongoing communication with ACC and would provide a broader report about the communication for the Committee at the November meeting. She noted that ACC owns the buildings and there is not much the University can do about it, but it will continue to work and follow up on the issues that were presented.

Introduction of Lou Cariello, VP of Facilities (14:25)

Mr. Lou Cariello introduced himself as the Vice President of Facilities for the University of Washington. He is a career facilities management professional most recently with Kaiser Permanente. He also served thirty years with the U.S. Navy as a Civil Engineer Corps Officer.

4. UW MIMP Annual Report (18:45)

Mr. Gaines opened the discussion on the UW MIMP Annual Report.

Mr. Aaron Hoard of the Office of Regional and Community Relations shared that the UW MIMP Annual Report covers the 2017 calendar year.

He summarized the highlights of the annual report including a request for the 2017-19 legislative capital budget of \$84 million for a variety of UW projects. The UW also identified sites for development including the Population Health Building and North Campus.

The University is tracking the 3 million sq. ft. of development. As of 2017, the buildings that are open and functional is at 74%. There are other projects in the pipeline such as the Population Health building and other housing. The University will be close to the 3 million sq. ft. of development when all the projects are complete.

The annual report discussed the lease lid and whether the University is going to change it or not. These were not in the Master Plan, but it is part of the City/University agreement. He noted that the University entered an agreement with the Seattle Housing Authority to build 60% MIA units at 41st and Roosevelt. The University anticipates that an RFQ will be out in the Fall.

University continues to operate under the trip estimate cap. The SOV rate is at 17% and the transit usage continues to increase.

The work the University does with the community includes off campus housing complaints and informing students about their rights. The University continues to work and partner with the University District Partnership. The University recently changed the student conduct off campus code that extends off campus.

Mr. Matt Fox asked once the CMP is adopted, if the annual report process will continue as an assessment of the University. Mr. Hoard mentioned that the annual reports comes out from the City/University Agreement. Ms. Clark added that there might be some new components added in the annual report in response to a new CMP.

The annual report is posted and available online at the [Department of Neighborhoods](#) and [University of Washington Office of Regional and Community Relations](#) web page.

Mr. Reudi Risler suggested about provide graphs over a period instead of data numbers in future annual reports.

5. CUCAC Response to City Council Resolution Making a Preliminary Decision on the UW 2018 CMP (35:13)

Mr. Gaines opened the discussion on CUCAC's response to the City Council's preliminary decision on the UW 2018 CMP.

Ms. Sheehan commented City Council and made a preliminary decision. The feedback from the decision is now with the parties of record, CUCAC, the Board of Regents. These groups have an opportunity to review the decision and send comments back to the City Council. The City Council will then have an opportunity to review the comments from the Board of Regents and start the negotiation process. She informed the Committee to look and review the preliminary decision and this Committee will have 30 days to comment (October 26th).

Mr. Fox commented that the City Council was responsive to the Committee's recommendation including site W22 but not site W37, SOV rate of 12% and the U District livability. Mr. Fox noted that the City Council did adopt some of the recommendations that the Hearing Examiner's did not.

Ms. Clark mentioned that the University did not made a proposal to change the parking cap. The City Council took three actions regarding the parking cap: a) remove the University's self-imposed standard in terms of a minimum number of parking spaces for residence halls; b) count residence halls slots under the cap which was not done under the 2003 CMP; and c) lowered the parking cap from 12,300 to 9,000 spaces. She noted that the University agreed that this is significant because it was not consistent with the EIS and the numbers reviewed for potential growth.

A comment was made by Ms. Colleen McAleer the CUCAC should raise the flag since the impact of the parking cap is significant. Ms. Sarah Swanberg commented that the message of having a parking cap is to discourage people from driving to the campus and she is worried more people will be driving through the neighborhood and will need to find different means of transportation to get to the University besides driving cars.

Ms. Clark noted that the parking cap issue may or may not have any significant impact regarding to this Committee. She brought this up because this Committee did not have an opportunity to analyze or discuss the issue.

Ms. Sheehan suggested the Committee vote whether to make a comment on this issue. Mr. Fox added that it is a good idea for the Committee to discuss and make a statement that the Committee is expressing its concern for not having enough analysis about this issue that could adversely impact the surrounding neighborhood. Mr. Fox asked the Committee if there is enough interest from the rest of the Committee to discuss the parking cap due to lack of analysis before a motion is introduced. The Committee did not have a consensus on the issue and decided to move forward.

The Committee agreed with the City Council about site W37. CUCAC needs to reemphasize the need for the Council to reduce the height of W37 and encourage them to continue to support the height in W22 and the 20% SOV reduction, the decision to increase several affordable housings and provide childcare for employees. There was no consensus on the parking cap issue.

Ms. Sheehan agreed to start the initial draft response and have Mr. Gaines to check the language.

6. New Business (1:37:13)

Mr. Jon Berkedal mentioned that under the CMP, the University has statements that if a new RPZ is developed by SDOT, the University will cover the cost of the review and the stickers for the residents in the impact area.

At the Wallingford Community Council meeting, there was a presentation by Ms. Ruth Harper of SDOT where they conducted a survey around 45th and determined that there is a need for an RPZ there. They are also beginning to look at another area in south Wallingford in 40th to develop another RPZ which may include the impact zone. She made a comment that individuals will put out signs and letters will be mailed out to the residents to notify them about the RPZ and if they want a sticker they can apply for it, and the University will pay for it if you are in the primary impact zone. If you are in the secondary zone, the University will pay a portion.

The UW gives SDOT \$100,000 annually and will use the funds to draw on people in the impact zone who applied for stickers. The \$100,000 is already maxed out and there is no more budget to pay for the new RPZ. This affects Wallingford and everyone else when the new RPZ come online and will be competing with the other RPZ for funding.

Mr. Berkedal commented that he did not realize that there was a cap and the cap has been reached. He spoke with Ms. Colleen Boyce and Mr. Hoard and he heard that the new RPZ in Wallingford is not part of the CMP yet. The residents of Wallingford are out of luck for now and will be competing with all the other RPZ. He noted that he does not know what the Committee can do but added that if the UW knows the impact on the neighborhood due to an increase in volume of transportation, they would increase the funding to go along with the increase in impact.

Mr. Fox suggested to take this issue up at the November meeting and get more information about RPZ.

Ms. Clark mentioned that Ms. Theresa Doherty's retirement date will be on Wednesday, November 28.

7. Adjournment

No further business being before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned.