



Meeting Minutes #215

(Adopted November 12, 2025)

City/University Community Advisory Committee (CUCAC)

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

6:30 – 8:00 PM

(Note: The notes shown below are summaries of statements provided. They are not transcriptions and have been shortened and edited to include the major points raised. Full comments are retained in the files in video recording and available upon request.)

In-person Location:

University of Washington
UW Tower, 22nd Floor, Boardroom
4333 Brooklyn Ave. — Seattle, WA 98105

Virtual:

Webex

Committee Members

Please note: Attendance could not be verified as no formal roll call was taken during the meeting.

City of Seattle Staff:

Sarah Sodt	Department of Neighborhoods, Major Institutions & Schools Coordinator
Dipti Garg	Department of Neighborhoods, Major Institutions & Schools Manager

Presenters:

Aaron Hoard	UW, Director of Regional & Community Relations
Sally Clark	UW, Vice President for Campus/Community Safety

(6:47)

Meeting start

Meeting begins at 6:36pm without a quorum; attendance not taken

(7:18)

Presentations

Campus Safety 101 (0:00)

Sally Clark presenting

The university's reorganization of safety functions and initiatives to improve coordination across campuses in regards to campus safety, mental health support, housing options, and community collaboration, headed up by Sally Clark as the Vice President for Campus/Community Safety.

Clark reviewed the history and reasoning behind these new approaches to campus safety stem from President Cauce's initiative (post-2020 protests). Proposed changes include integrating key safety units under a unified division (including Emergency Management; Safe Campus/UW Threat Assessment and Violence Prevention

Group; UW Police Department; business continuity and resiliency program; cyber monitoring and protections; Crisis Communications needs/UW Alerts).

Crisis communication improvement of policies and procedures aim for faster response during on-campus emergencies. Funding streams, responsibilities, and programs associated with safety concerns across multiple departments (Division of Student Life; Human Resources; Facilities) were examined. Care was taken in (1) how services are partnered/merged due to uneasiness and fear of law enforcement and (2) not breaking existing systems that are working well; trusted partners are necessary for people to use the services.

The location of this division was discussed; a desire was expressed for Schmidt Hall, but the expense would have been excessive. Have now moved into Gerberding Hall.

Continued and upcoming operations include:

- Contract with REACH started two years ago and will be renewed. This collaboration enhances support for unhoused individuals near campus.
- Launching “Husky Assist” program to address mental health crises on campus; located in Gerberding offices Night Ride is the rebranding of Husky Night Walk (a ride in a marked security vehicle).
- App for shuttle is considered poor; stops are difficult to locate and there is no standard route.
- Campus Safe Responders are visible and apparent people in purple polos who can observe and report (via radio) as well as intervene; eight to twelve total, typically assigned overnight.

All security on campus is associated with the UWPD.

UWPD relationship with the school was discussed; past actions and words, what role they take, in relation to protests. Incident Prevention Team (IPT) functions every night: one to two officers; north of 45th; they can enter registered parties, but not private events; they have a memorandum of understanding with SPD and a stepping down of accountability, depending on the residence/location.

Staffing of UWPD remains a challenge. There are 29 funded officer positions, seven funded sergeant positions, two funded lieutenant positions, deputy chief, and chief. Currently eleven or twelve openings amidst ongoing recruitment efforts, but things are moving forward with people in the pipeline in one of three stages of training. Some losses to other agencies. There is some collaboration with UWPD to figure out how to enhance response capabilities exceeding agency capacity to deal with community frustrations over property crimes and calls for expanded UWPD jurisdiction. Greek houses have requested UWPD to expand across 45th (hoping for faster response times), but that is not being considered. There has been funding approved for three free-range security guards on campus (future upcoming budgeting cuts predicted).

There will be an end-of-year report that will be posted on the blog for the Campus Community Safety website. The original report to the community is also there. Clark may be attending a fall UDCC meeting.

2025 Annual Report (1:00:08)

The link to the presentation can be found [here](#).

Aaron Hoard presenting

Structure of the report includes city university agreement (campus development, transportation, jobs and housing, commercial development); campus master plan itself; and conditions of approval.

City University Agreement

- Campus development includes limited construction progress and ongoing planning for future projects, but not buildings not occupied in 2025. Two sites identified for development and eight sites under construction or completed. Process is influenced by funding realities, growth, and space issues.
- Transportation goals aim to modify behavior to reduce single occupancy vehicle rates and improve parking management. Some parking properties are more valuable as development sites; new housing developments may also provide people to sleep closer so they don't have to commute. As light rail stations open, parking availability falls and parking rates rise, less driving predicted. Transportation Management Plan (TMP) goals were set in a different time with different lifestyles; they are very low and may be difficult to achieve, but current status shows how the strategies are influencing the progress currently being made.
- The university focuses on expanding job opportunities and housing options, including two employee assistance programs and five buildings with affordable units. Collaboration with the city addresses community needs, such as childcare facilities, services, public transportation access, and public safety enhancements.
- Commercial Development, Real Estate, and Leasing. City reports unit numbers, vacancy, and expected growth. UW Purchasing/Leasing reports no acquisitions or gifts in 2024, leased spaces, and no new leasing in residential buildings.

Campus Master Plan reports on childcare at Sunbreak and Laurel Village housing projects as well as a priority hire plan goals (more complete report will be soon).

Conditions of Approval topics reported on include: two affordable housing projects (Sunbreak and Mt Baker Station Area); Burke Gilman enhancements (funding, site parameters)

(1:24:02)

Public Comment
None

(1:24:19)

Upcoming Meeting

September meeting possibly in the Interdisciplinary Building with maybe a tour
Future presentations on the chemical building; wind tunnel

Adjournment at 7:56pm