



February 12, 2026

MEMORANDUM

To: Campus Planning Committee

From: Clare Kurth, Campus Planning
Campus Planning and Facilities Management (CPFM)

Subject: **Record** of the January 23, 2026, Campus Planning Committee Meeting

Attending: Bob Choquette (Chair), Eric Alexander, Janell Cottam,
Cheyenne Dickenson, Ihab Elzeyadi, Emily Eng, Michael Griffel,
Michael Harwood, Shawn Kahl, Ken Kato, Taliek Lopez-DuBoff,
Kevin Reed, Janet Rose, Hal Sadofsk, Amy Salmore,

CPC Staff: Clare Kurth (Campus Planning)

Guests: Darin Dehle (CPFM), Monica Hasek (CPFM),
Aaron Olsen (Campus Planning), Matt Roberts (UO Communications),
Liz Thorstenson (Campus Planning), Chuck Triplett (UO Portland)

CPC Agenda

1. 10-Year Capital Plan - Information

Background: The purpose of this agenda item was to review the 10-Year Capital Plan. The goal of this review was to share information with the committee about upcoming and potential capital construction projects.

This plan outlined current and anticipated capital construction projects for the next 10 years including current projects (Board of Trustees approved), planned and likely projects, potential projects, and studies.

Mike Harwood (CPFM) shared general information regarding the plan's background, purpose, project escalation costs/impacts, and deferred maintenance. Harwood provided an overview of projects and studies including budget, schedule, and scope.

The following is a summary of questions and comments from committee members and guests with responses from Mike Harwood and Aaron Olsen (Campus Planning):

- Member: Is the Lawrence Hall project approved for funding?
 - Harwood: The study for Lawrence Hall will be moving forward and requesting funding from the state in the 2027 regular legislative session.

- Member: With the Lawrence Hall revisioning, is the plan is to consolidate all College of Design uses in a new building for a more efficient program? Will the amount of legislative funding requested allow for that to happen, or will the university need philanthropy or additional funding sources?
 - Harwood: It is an aspiration to bring all the College of Design functions into one area, but we will need philanthropy or additional resources.
 - Member: The addition consolidates some of it, but not all of it with the HECC funding.

- Member: Can we have an update with the plan for Romania?
 - Harwood: The developer has a ground lease, and they are currently working to update plans that include residential, parking, and ground floor retail. As the buildings are demolished, Campus Planning will work to relocate existing use. The historic showroom will be preserved and incorporated into the development plans.

- Member: Do you know how Knight Campus may grow and what impact that would have on the rest of the university?
 - Harwood: There is a third phase planned. There are no definitive answers for phases beyond that. There will be some impact to existing uses in the area. Some of the College of Design buildings north of the Millrace are not the highest and best use of the property. The university has a campus planning principle for displacing uses. Therefore, uses will not be displaced without replacement.

- Member: Do we have a sense of how the Franklin Boulevard improvements might impact the campus and campus plan?
 - Harwood: The Frankling Boulevard project will not impact the university's ability to develop, but will likely take some land. There will be impacts similar to any road project.
 - Olsen: The biggest impact from a campus planning standpoint will be the 13th, Franklin, and Moss intersection where a roundabout and gateway plaza is being planned near Matt Knight Arena. The University has stressed the importance of creating this as a meaningful space that is well integrated into campus. Onyx and Franklin intersection is also being designed for a roundabout, but there is currently no funding beyond schematic design. These projects will come to the CPC for information and review.

- Harwood: The CPC will review and comment on the project, but does not have jurisdiction over city projects.
- Member: Supports the improvements to Franklin Boulevard and looking forward to having less of a freeway that separates the campus.
 - Olsen: That has been a driving focus of this project.
- Member: Hendrick's Hall is one of the oldest buildings on campus that has not had capital improvements in a while. Is that because it is still in relatively good shape even though it is one of the oldest buildings on campus?
 - Harwood: Determining capital projects involves trying to find the intersection of what is going to benefit the university's goals, mission and the strategic plan while also recognizing the need for deferred maintenance. We recently met with the Dean of the Graduate School who is also interested in when other buildings on campus will make it on the capital project list, such as Susan Campbell Hall.
- Member: What is the future of the 13th Ave Redesign project?
 - Harwood: The entire 13th Ave Redesign project is still waiting on funding. The Phase A portion of the project does not meet the threshold dollar amount, which is \$8.5 Million, to make the capital project list.
- Member: If the university had the funding, would the university try to avoid timing the 13th Ave Redesign project construction at the same time as the Franklin Boulevard construction?
 - Harwood: Yes. That is the benefit of a ten-year capital plan rather than a shorter capital plan. This allows longer-tern conversation to ensure projects function well.

Action: No formal action was requested.

2. UO Portland Campus - Information

Background: Darin Dehle (CPFM, Design and Construction), Monica Hasek (CPFM, Design and Construction), Aaron Olsen (Campus Planning), and Chuck Triplett (Associate Vice President for Portland Campus Operations) provided a history of the UO Portland campus from purchase in 2020 to recently completed and ongoing projects.

The following is a summary of questions and comments from committee members and guests with responses from Dehle, Hasek, Olsen, Triplett, and Matt Roberts (UO Communication):

- Member: Do the UO Eugene campus planning principles apply to the UO Portland Campus and what is the role of the CPC there?
 - Olsen: The *Campus Plan* does not directly apply, and the CPC does not review projects off the UO Eugene campus, but the campus planning principles were considered.
- Member: How much has the UO Portland project exceeded the original \$100 million donation?
 - Dehle: Provided a breakdown of the funding spent including the donation funding, president initiative, and capital improvement funds that were used. The cost comparison was discussed for the purchase price versus the cost to build on bare land.
 - Robert: There was also money that was needed for relocation and remodeling for the on-campus apartments.
 - Triplett: Discussed the bridge funding needed until classes were running and tuition money was being received.
- Member: Is the gymnasium space supposed to function as a recreation center for the UO Portland campus
 - Dehle: Yes.
 - Triplett: The recreation fields will also be able to be used as recreation facilities for the UO Portland campus, and the neighboring community will have some access to use these facilities.
 - Roberts: The recreation fields accommodate lacrosse, soccer, and baseball.
- Member: How many housing units does this campus have?
 - Triplett: There are currently about 140 beds and 80 students living on campus. Discussed the ongoing renovation plans.
 - Dehle: Discussed that one apartment building is currently vacant and used as a buffer between occupied apartments and construction sites.

Action: No formal action was requested.