INTRODUCTION
In September 2008, Moore Iacofano Goltsman, Inc. (MIG), a planning and design consulting firm, began a 15-month process to develop a Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) for the University of Wyoming (UW). In order to ensure that the LRDP reflects the needs and desires of the community at large, the planning process includes varied opportunities for community input. These include four campus and three community workshops, stakeholder interviews, comment cards, pages on the facilities planning website, focus group meetings, community intercept events, and a November 22, 2008 tailgate party.

On April 30, 2009, UW and MIG hosted two workshops for the UW Long Range Development Plan: the third Campus Workshop, and the second Community Workshop. The purpose of these meetings was: (a) review the LRDP purpose, process and Campus input; (b) review and discuss the refined development framework and key development concepts; and (c) summarize next steps and future meetings.

This memo highlights the ideas and concepts provided by workshop participants and are organized by core elements.

Meeting Format
Campus Workshop #3 occurred on April 30, 2009 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm at the Washakie Center, followed by Community Workshop #2 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Albany County Library. Outreach for the workshops included electronic workshop fliers, newspaper coverage, public signage, and emails. Upon entering the workshops and signing-in, each participant received an agenda and a comment card, which allowed participants to submit written comments to the project team.

Daniel Iacofano of MIG served as workshop facilitator. Roger Baalman, Director of UW Facility Planning provided welcoming remarks. At each workshop, Daniel Iacofano, Jay Renkens, and Jeremy Klop provided an overview of major plan components. They reviewed and discussed the
development framework that had been refined through the previous round of workshops and highlighted ten major development concepts.

Participants then provided feedback about the refined development framework through a discussion facilitated by Daniel Iacofano and recorded by the MIG team (Jay Renkens) on a large wallgraphic at the front of the room. Participants’ submitted feedback from the discussion on comment cards. The end of this report contains photo-reduced copies of the wallgraphics from each workshop.

**DISCUSSION**
The following provides a summary of major themes presented to the workshop participants and other identified by the participants during the workshops.

**Workshop Framework**
The planning team organized the plan content presentation into 10 major elements. A list of the ten “big ideas” and a summary of input gathered for each of these elements is provided below.

- **Expanding West Campus:** Participants were mostly concerned with whether UW has already discussed expansion of West Campus with property owners in this area. Expansion would include areas north of Lewis and south of Ivinson. Some participants felt that these West Campus expansion areas would be ideal locations for additional parking.

- **“Park Once” Strategy:** The concept includes reducing the amount of long-term parking located internal to the campus and maximizing peripheral and satellite parking opportunities. Workshop participants discussed how this strategy fits with the city administered parking permit program and the importance of transit to its overall success. At least one participant who currently lives in a sorority felt the cost of such a permit would be too onerous for students.

- **Crossing 15th Street:** The safe crossing of 15th Street has been identified as the greatest barrier to further development of the East Campus. Participants addressed slowing traffic through street reconfigurations and the possibility of a traffic circle. Participants also addressed the need for sustainable storm water management along 15th Street and throughout the campus. Additional comments related to 15th Street are discussed in the following section.

- **Hierarchy of Open Spaces:** Key themes related to open spaces included orienting buildings to green spaces, creating open spaces with various sizes and functions, and the importance of Prexy’s Pasture. Some participants noted the importance of keeping Prexy’s Pasture open and expressed strong support for the concept of making Fraternity Mall car free (see additional comments about Fraternity Mall below).

- **Fraternity Mall:** Overall, participants felt that pedestrian traffic between fraternity houses should be controlled. Participants also noted the importance of maintaining some parking adjacent to the Fraternity and Sorority houses (accessibility and staff parking) while maintaining some level of service access.
Improved Campus Edges: Workshop participants felt that campus edges should be improved with landscaping and set-back areas especially along the Grand edge and at the 13th entry. Participants indicated that entrances to campus should be clearly defined and easy to access.

Visitor Experience: Input related to improving the visitor experience included signage and wayfinding, improved event parking and circulation, and daily parking options. Participants indicated that visitors should know where to park before they get to campus and then know how to get around (by foot, bike, or shuttle) as soon as they get out of their cars.

Summit View Site: Participants supported the concept that the Summit view site should have higher density with mixed-uses along 22nd. At least one participant brought-up the issue of a need for more affordable housing on the site, while another felt that there is already a glut of apartments.

Service Maintenance Area: The consultant team presented the concept of consolidating service and maintenance functions to a single area north of the cemetery. There was no feedback from participants on this topic.

Research Business Park: Workshop participants felt that the research/business park could be located north of Harney and build on the success of the technology/business center. Participants also felt that UW should be strengthening partnerships for the development of this park.

Other Important Themes
During the workshop participants addressed several other topics related to three general themes: parking, transit, and circulation and access. These are summarized below.

Parking: Parking was a significant concern discussed throughout both workshops. The following captures major themes addressed during the workshops.

- Location: Workshop participants were generally divided on the issue of where parking should be located. Some participants felt that parking should be increased and located either at central campus locations, or in close proximity. Others felt that parking central to campus only further exacerbates parking issues and that new parking could be located off-campus, with transit service linking these sites to UW. Some participants noted that overflow parking in the surrounding neighborhoods is a growing problem. Others were concerned for the future of convenient sorority house parking.

- Need: Several workshop participants addressed the need to improve access to parking for both faculty and students. While visitors could be served by convenient but short-term parking, participants felt that staff, faculty, and students could rely on transit service that provides access to peripheral parking. Another key finding was the importance of transit to connect parking areas to campus. Special event parking was another concern for workshop
attendees. Currently, students and event goers seek parking off-campus which removes available parking for neighborhoods. Safety issues are a related concern.

- **Alternatives:** Some participants discussed the possibility of structured parking which would be beneficial for cold winter months. Some attendees suggested that the high cost of a parking structure would be prohibitive in the foreseeable future. Others stated that the aquifer area would be a suitable location for more satellite at-grade parking. Parking lots and landscaping should then serve as filters for storm water run-off.

- **Transit:** Transit was another major theme that is closely tied to parking. Overall, participants felt that transit service could solve parking issues by providing connections between parking lots located in the periphery to campus. Other suggestions included an automated/driverless transit system, as well as smaller shuttle loops that made frequent stops to specific locations such as sorority row. The idea behind this suggestion was to mitigate the loss of parking immediately adjacent to the sorority houses.

- **Streetscape Design and Access Control:** Participants shared their ideas and concerns about streetscape improvement options. Some of the major themes included improvements to 15th Street, King Row, and Ivinson. Overall, workshop participants commented that existing transportation-related signage is lacking with limited visibility for what is on the ground. Improving accessibility for bicyclists and pedestrians was another major theme. Some participants questioned how this planning process relates to the Transportation and Parking Plan. The following were concerns and comments regarding changes to the current street network.

  - **15th Street:** Participants felt that the traffic on 15th Street is a major concern and likened the street to a “highway through campus.” While some participants preferred closing or restricted traffic on 15th Street through campus, others commented that this would potentially “deaden” activity along the street. This could also impact traffic on 22nd. Most participants agreed that there is a need to improve bike and pedestrian crossings on 15th. To promote safe crossing, some participants discussed traffic calming techniques and highlighted the importance of preserving existing trees, as well as additional signage to caution bicyclists, pedestrians and drivers. For street crossings and improvements, workshop participants identified a need to provide a cost/benefit type of analysis to determine feasibility and positive impacts.

  - **King Row:** Another street of concern is King Row. Currently the street is designed for a one-way travel lane and two-way bike lanes creating safety issues. Participants discussed the possibility of reversing traffic flow on this street to reduce vehicle waiting times, and removing diagonal parking. In addition, participants identified the need to provide...
service access for sorority houses. Similar to 15th Street, participants suggested improving access for bicyclists. Workshop attendees noted that the street is a popular bike route as it is an extension of Ivinson and riders typically do not bike on Grand.

- **Ivinson**: Participants noted that Ivinson is not a suitable street for traveling by bicycle in the winter months due to snow and ice. However, improved maintenance to decrease the amount of ice could improve the situation. Participants also discussed that the street is a popular bike route and that there is frequent bike congestion at Ivinson and 13th. Currently, the street has on-street parking with one-way traffic and a wide bike lane. Workshop participants suggested increasing the bike lane to half-street with the other half for transit.

- **Sustainability**: Participants expressed a strong desire for sustainable design practices on the campus. Specifically, workshop participants mentioned the need for sustainable storm-water management, energy efficient buildings, use of renewable energy sources, and the promotion of transportation options other than driving alone. Participants also felt that it is important to reuse existing buildings and building materials as much as possible for both historic value and sustainability goals.
NEXT STEPS

In closing the workshops, project team members explained upcoming meetings and events that will occur in the coming months. Upcoming events include:

- May 26th, 2009 City Council/University Workshop Meeting
- July 2009, Public Intercept (specific date TBD)
- September 12, 2009, Tailgate Event
- October 29, 2009, Public Meeting
- November/December 2009, Adoption

To make further comments on workshops or summary reports, please email facilitiesplan@uwyo.edu or mail comments to:

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CAMPUS WORKSHOP AGENDA

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
Long Range Development Plan
CAMPUS WORKSHOP #3: REFINED DEVELOPMENT
ALTERNATIVES
April 30th, 2009 • 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Washakie Center

AGENDA

3:30 pm
I. Welcome & Introductions
   A. Welcome, Roger Saalman, Director, Facilities Planning,
      University of Wyoming
   B. Team Introduction
   C. Meeting Purpose

II. Review of LRDP Purpose, Process, and Campus Input
   A. Scope, Schedule and Milestones
   B. Campus Vision and Goals
   C. Planning and Design Principles

III. Review and Discussion of Refined Development Framework
   A. Campus Design Vision
      1. Expanded West Campus
      2. Park Once Strategy
         • Network of Promenades
         • Campus Shuttle Loop
         • Structured and Satellite Parking
         • Access Restrictions
      3. Connecting Across 15th Street
      4. Hierarchy of Open Spaces
      5. Strengthened Fraternity Mall
      6. Improved Campus Edges
      7. Enhanced Visitor Experience
      8. Redeveloped Summit View Site
      9. Consolidated Service and Maintenance Area
      10. Research/Business Park
   B. Transportation and Parking
   C. Signage and Wayfinding
   D. Infrastructure

IV. Summary and Next Steps
   A. Announcements
   B. Future Workshops
      • Campus Workshop #4 – Oct 29th, 2009

5:30 pm  Meeting Close
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP AGENDA

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
LONG RANGE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #2: REFINED DEVELOPMENT ALTERNATIVES
April 30th, 2009 • 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Albany County Library

AGENDA

7:00 pm

I. Welcome & Introductions
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9:00 pm  Meeting Close
In October of 2008, the University initiated a landmark project that will guide the long-term physical development of the Laramie campus for the next 20 years. The Long Range Development Plan will provide an overarching framework for development, connectivity, open space, and supporting campus services.

The Plan will provide guidance for future development opportunities such as expansion of research and development facilities and new student housing. Physical and policy recommendations will help strengthen the traditional west campus and chart a course for the future of campus property east of 15th Street.

The planning process will conclude during the fall semester of 2009. The final document will include text and graphics that provide a flexible physical planning and decision-making structure to accommodate the development of the University’s research, teaching, residential and recreational priorities and programs.

This Comment Card is provided for your convenience. Please provide additional written comments below and return the comment card at the end of the meeting.

Thank You!

PART A: WHAT CHANGES WOULD YOU MAKE TO THE OVERALL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK? ARE THERE AREAS OF CAMPUS YOU WOULDN’T DEVELOP OR WOULD PREFER TO DEVELOP DIFFERENTLY?
PART B: WHAT RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD YOU CHANGE OR ADD IN THE FOLLOWING PLAN ELEMENT TOPIC AREAS?

1. Campus Design--Districts, Streets and Open Spaces

2. Transportation and Parking

3. Signage and Wayfinding
4. Infrastructure

5. Sustainability

6. Other

PART C. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS
PART D: OUTREACH INFORMATION

How did you hear about today’s workshop?

Are there additional methods of advertising the workshops that would be more effective?

What best describes you? (Please check all that apply)

__ Student  __ Staff  __ Faculty  __ Researcher  __ Alumni  
__ Community Member  __ City/Agency Staff

What area of Laramie do you live in?
__ Central  __ North  __ South  __ East  __ West  __ Albany County  __ None

How long have you lived in Laramie/Albany County? ____

Please provide your name and email address if you would like to receive notices and updates throughout the planning process.

Name (optional) ______________________________________________________

Email (optional) ______________________________________________________

Please hand in your comment card as you leave the workshop or send it to:

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Thank you for your participation!
UW Long Range Development Plan

Campus Workshop #3 - 4/30/09

1. Expanded West Campus
   - Consider automated transit
   - Property acquisition plan?
   - Contingency plan for N. of Lewis?
   - Should move cars out of campus
   - Ivanhoe parking, 1-way traffic, bike lane

2. Park once strategy
   - City administers neighborhood permit program
   - Explore all forms of transit

3. Crossing 15th Street
   - Traffic gets thru in all scenarios
   - UN & City could choose to fully robust
   - Addressing 15th is DP priority
   - Traffic circle instead of chicane

4. Hierarchy of Open Spaces
   - Orient buildings to green spaces & various sizes & functions

5. Enhancing Fraternity Mall
   - Prevent people from cutting between frat houses
   - Maintain service access to green houses
   - Currently a privilege to park

6. Summit View Redevelopment
   - Higher density replacement
   - Mixed use along 22nd

7. Consolidated Service & Maintenance
   - N of Cemetery

8. Research/Bus Park
   - Building on Tech/BLC Center
   - Expansion N of Harmon

9. Public Edges
   - Landscaping & set backs
   - Clear edge entrances

10. Visitor Experience
    - Signage & wayfinding
    - Event circulation & parking
COMMUNITY WORKSHOP #2 WALL GRAPHIC

- King Row provides alternate route for cyclists going E/W.
- People have adapted to changes on King's PASTURE.
- Use South Shuttle for on-campus events.
- Downtown parking is OK if works.
- W. Lawrie shuttle lot at territorial park.
- Ivinson gets icy in winter.
- Connection to downtown + sheep bike lanes in winter.
- Gondola system throughout.
- Summit View will be replaced within next few years.
- Need to provide parking for "customers".
- Need to design for Snow.
- Sewer, water power will be addressed by UW.
- Sustainability + forest expansion.
- Replacement housing during construction of Summit View.
- Maintain access to cemetery.

- Next steps:
  - May 26: Town Hall Meetings.
  - Sept: Tailgate Event.
  - Oct: Public Meetings.
  - Nov/Dec: Adoption.

- Trees provide protection from wind.
- Does plan sync up w/ transportation plan?
- Need secure on-campus parking for residents.
- Cost of parking structures may be prohibitive.
- Convert Ivinson Hospital on Grand to housing.
- 2 types of parking: students & visitor parking.
- Use aquifer area for parking.
- Can change on 15th Bend to East?
- Grand/15th reconfiguration may impact 15th Street & 22nd Street.
- Reverse 1-way on King Row.
- Lewis provides key connections.