




University Senate CHARGE

Date:	November 23, 2009
To:	Gerald Miller, Chair Ad Hoc Committee on Site Selection Processes
From:	Elise Miller-Hooks Chair, University Senate 
Subject:	Review of the Decision-Making Process Regarding Site Selection for Construction Projects
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Deadline:	April 2, 2010

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) requests that the Ad Hoc Committee on Site Selection Processes review the decision-making process regarding the current practice of site selection for construction projects.

Specifically:

1. Review the current status of the overall decision-making process with particular emphasis on environmental concerns;
2. Review whether the decision-making process is conducive to achieving the goals outlined in the University's guiding documents (e.g. Climate Action Plan and the Facilities Master Plan);
3. Review whether all campus constituencies, including faculty, staff, undergraduate and graduate students, are adequately represented on review committees responsible for recommending site selection and comment on whether the membership of these committees should be altered;
4. Review concerns expressed by campus constituencies, pertaining to the current site selection method, by reviewing documentation submitted to the Campus Affairs Committee, meeting with the stakeholders on all sides of the relevant issues and by holding an open forum to hear concerns; and
5. Make recommendations on how to incorporate campus input on these decisions and how to increase transparency during the selection process.

As this matter is time sensitive, we ask that you submit your report and recommendations to the Senate Office no later than April 2, 2010. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Reka Montfort in the Senate Office, extension 5-5804.