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University of South Carolina
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Called Meeting

October 11, 2019

The Buildings and Grounds Committee of the University of South Carolina Board of Trustees met at 9:45 a.m. in a called meeting on October 11, 2019, in the C. Edward Floyd Boardroom at the Pastides Alumni Center.

Members participating were: Mr. William C. Hubbard, Chairman; Mr. C. Dan Adams; Mr. Toney J. Lister; Mr. Miles Loadholt; Mr. Eugene P. Warr Jr.; Mr. Thad H. Westbrook; Mr. John C. von Lehe Jr., Board Chairman; and Mr. Hubert F. Mobley, Board Vice Chairman; with Ms. Leah B. Moody joining by telephone. Mr. J. Egerton Burroughs was absent.

Other Trustees participating were: Mr. Robert F. Dozier Jr.; Mr. Richard A. Jones Jr.; Ms. Rose Buyck Newton; Dr. C. Dorn Smith III; Ms. Molly M. Spearman; and Mr. Charles H. Williams; with Mr. A. C. "Bubba" Fennell joining by telephone.

Also present were Strategic Advisor David Seaton and USC Columbia Student Government President Luke Rankin.

Others present were: President Robert L. Caslen Jr.; Secretary J. Cantey Heath Jr.; General Counsel Walter "Terry" H. Parham; Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Tayloe Harding; Senior Vice President for Administration and Chief Operating Officer Edward L. Walton; Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost for Academic Support Dennis A. Pruitt; Vice President for Human Resources Caroline Agardy; Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer Doug Foster; Athletics Director Ray Tanner; Interim Chief Communications Officer and Director of Public Relations Jeff Stensland; Interim Chief Development Officer Will Elliott; Senior Advisor to the President for Advancement Paula Harper Bethea; Palmetto College Chancellor Susan Elkins; College of Arts and Sciences Dean Lacy Ford; College of Education Dean Jon Pederson; University Architect and Associate Vice President of Facilities Planning, Design and Construction Derek Gruner; University Controller Mandy Kibler; University Treasurer Pat Lardner; University Budget Director Joe Sobieralski; Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance and Medical Business Affairs Jeffrey L. Perkins

III; Associate Vice President for Finance Kelly Epting; Executive Director for the Office of Economic Engagement William D. “Bill” Kirkland; Chief Audit Executive Pam Doran; Executive Director for Strategic Initiatives Jack Claypoole; My Carolina Alumni Association Chief Executive Officer Wes Hickman; Assistant Controller Lindsay Anastasio; Director of Financial Reporting Sandy Smith; Director of Public Affairs and Advocacy Craig H. Parks; Assistant to the President for System Affairs Eddie King; Assistant Dean of Business Operations, College of Education, Ryan Inzana; Associate Director, Distributed Learning, Trena Houpp; USC Upstate Vice Provost and Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Pam Steinke; Ann Loadholt, wife of Trustee Miles Loadholt; Trustee Emeritus M. Wayne Staton; Association of Governing Boards Consultants Rick Legon, Sally Mason and Brit Kirwan; University Technology Services Production Manager Matt Warthen; and Board staff members Debra Allen and Terri Saxon.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Hubbard called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and invited those at the table to introduce themselves. He said the agenda had been posted, the press notified as required by the Freedom of Information Act, the agenda had been circulated to committee members and a quorum was present to conduct business. Secretary Heath confirmed those Trustees participating by telephone. Mr. Stensland introduced Ms. Meghan Crum with *The Daily Gamecock*.

II. Project Approval

– Greek Village Student Parking Development

Chairman Hubbard called on Mr. Gruner, who presented a request to create a new parking area for commuters, which will allow 500 spaces of existing commuter parking to be reallocated for fraternity and sorority students who drive to the Greek Village for required mealtimes.

The existing commuter lot is bounded by Devine, Lincoln, Blossom and Gadsden streets. Mr. Gruner said a recent poll of the Greek community reflected 80% supported the proposed plan, which will be funded with the Greek Student Parking Fee.

The site for new commuter parking is the recreation field bounded by Greene Street on the north edge, Gadsden Street on the east edge, Devine Street on the south edge and railroad tracks on the west edge. The 3.75 acre site is owned by the USC Development Foundation.

The new parking area will require removal of grass turf, compacting the soil as required, and placing compacted gravel for the parking surface. The project also will install lighting and install storm drainage as allowable by the budget. A buffer along street edges will be improved and landscaped in compliance with

city zoning ordinances. The work will allow for future improvements, which could include paving and curbing over the gravel base that is installed as part of this project.

Mr. Gruner said project design will begin immediately upon approval, with competitive contractor bidding to occur in the first quarter of 2020. On-site construction will begin in the spring to ensure completion by August of 2020. A separate project to create 300 additional Greek Village parking spaces is underway, with completion scheduled for 2022, he added.

Chairman Hubbard said the September 27 called committee meeting provided an opportunity to clarify the Greek Village parking project. Mr. Rankin thanked the committee for addressing students' parking concerns. Chairman Hubbard noted that included on the full Board agenda, later in the day, was a request to discontinue the Greek Parking Student Fee beginning with the Spring 2020 semester.

Chairman Hubbard called for a motion to recommend full Board approval to establish and fully fund this project with a budget of \$995,000 to be funded with the Greek Parking Student Fee. Trustee Loadholt so moved and Trustee Warr seconded the motion. The vote was taken and the motion carried.

III. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the committee, Chairman Hubbard declared the called meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Cantey Heath, Jr.
Secretary