

IX. University Community Urban Center Plan and Master Plan Common Elements

The neighborhood in which the University of Washington is located is the University Community Urban Center (UCUC). Since early 1995, neighborhoods throughout Seattle have engaged in efforts to plan their communities' growth. These neighborhood planning efforts represent an innovative, grass-roots approach to growth management that supports neighborhood residents, business owners, and other community members in planning their future. This urban center includes two urban villages – the University District NW Urban Village and the Ravenna Urban Village.

Students, staff and faculty from the University of Washington were actively engaged with the community and city in drafting the neighborhood plan for the University Community Urban Center. In March of 1997 President McCormick met with members of the community and outlined the University of Washington's support for efforts to revitalize the Ave and surrounding neighborhoods. In May of the same year, the University of Washington Cascadia Institute sponsored an Economic Forum that focused on the jobs and economic vitality of the Ave. In addition, students and faculty from the University of Washington College of Architecture and Urban Planning (CAUP) spent three months, during a studio project, creating a lot-by-lot photographic record of the Southwest Quadrant area with analysis of key open spaces and design issues. During another University of Washington CAUP studio, students took the goals of both the Draft Campus Master Plan and the University Community Urban Center Plan (UCUCP) and created development proto-types that could meet the overall goals of both planning efforts and analyzed their financial feasibility for implementation within the UCUCP planning area.

The University has a long history of being involved in the development of the UCUC Plan from many avenues. At the present time, members of the University of Washington are involved in an effort being lead by the City called the “UCUC Stakeholders,” which is a group of citizens, property owners, and local businesses in the area who are committed to working towards implementation of the UCUC Plan.

This chapter outlines the common links between the Campus Master Plan and UCUCP vision, plan directives, goals and objectives, and adoption matrix action items.

UCUC Plan Vision Statement

The UCUCP vision statement addresses five major points as follows. The University Community will....

1. be an inviting and welcoming, people-oriented urban community meeting the social, educational, residential, and commercial needs of a diverse array of people in an environmentally pleasing setting. The University Community will build on it current strengths and asses and proceed in new directions to accomplish its vision of the future.
2. offer a wide range of quality housing options to meet the needs of its diverse and growing population while retaining a sense of neighborhood and community.
3. be a vital and progressive economic area, an integral part of the city and the region, acknowledging the role of the University of Washington in our regional economy and recognizing the Community's diverse needs as well as those of the City.
4. be a hub of efficient, environmentally sound multi-modal transportation serving needs of residents, students, customers, and visitors.
5. seek an active partnership with the University of Washington as a catalyst for positive change involved in both residential and business concerns

UCUC Plan Directives

The UCUCP discusses two major themes, ‘integration’ and ‘support’ of the area’s three components: the residential neighborhoods, the business districts and the University of Washington. Plan directives support one or more of these themes.

1. Create / enhance / protect stable residential neighborhoods that can accommodate projected growth and foster desirable living conditions.
2. Support vibrant commercial districts serving local needs and offering regional specialties.
3. Integrate transportation modes into an efficient, balanced system.
4. Provide housing to serve a broad spectrum of life styles and affordability levels.
5. Provide neighborhood recreation facilities and open space.
6. Upgrade the area’s physical identity.
7. Actively work with the University of Washington on areas of mutual interest.
8. Coordinate and expand the community’s arts and cultural activities to be an important aspect of the community’s identity.
9. Build on present youth-oriented activities and organizations to provide an integrated social service delivery network that serves the entire community.
10. Increase pubic security and lower the crime rate as both a necessary ingredient and an outgrowth of a high quality of life in the community.
11. Enforce existing building and housing codes and regulations to promote the health, welfare, and quality of life of all community members and increase the level of public civility.
12. Conserve the historic resources and other elements that add to the community’s sense of history and unique character.
13. Increase public education resources in the community.

UCUC Plan Goals and Objectives

The UCUCP includes goals and policies. Goals are stated to be broad outcomes that the community wishes to achieve. Policies are statements of intent to guide decisions and set priorities. What follows (in bolded italics) are the goals and policies of the UCUCP that relate to the Campus Master Plan followed by a statement describing the connection between the UCUCP and the Campus Master Plan.

Land Use and Economic Development

Land use and economic development goals of the UCUCP are supported by many of the major principles of the campus plan including improving the street-scape and open space on University property, softening the boundary between the University and the community, and efforts to support multiple modes of transportation and opportunities for mixed use.

Goal A-1

Make the UCUC an attractive place for people to live, work, and shop.

The Campus Master Plan focuses on improving the streetscape and open space on University property in the West Campus. (see discussion of the West and Southwest Campuses in Chapter II, pp. 13-14)

It also discusses how University mixed-use development will help activate the street. Development will include streetscape improvements to 15th Avenue NE, Brooklyn Avenue NE, and University Way NE. Creating opportunities for increased open space is also a fundamental part of the plan.

Goal A-2

Help retail districts meet needs and opportunities consistent with sound environmental and urban planning principles.

- ***Policy A-2.1 – Objective: Link University Avenue to the campus and ensure multi-modal circulation***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan includes opening up the campus to the community along 15th Avenue NE through eliminating portions of the existing wall as new development occurs, designing new buildings with entrances on 15th Avenue NE, and enhancing pedestrian connections to campus. (see p. 90-92)

Goal A-3

Support long-term commercial redevelopment to maintain the UCUC's diverse economic base.

- ***Policy A-3.2 Create a vital mixed-use commercial/residential center with master planned development, integrating open space and pedestrian connections***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan recommends university mixed-use development on university property in West Campus, new open space integrated with the Burke-Gilman Trail, Campus Parkway, and entrances to campus at 15th Avenue NE, and pedestrian connections between the campus and the University District along 15th Avenue NE. (see pp.13, and 92, 93)

- ***Policy A-3.3 Encourage redevelopment that supports and derives benefit from public transportation systems, including bus and rail transit***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan includes bus shelters and pedestrian connections to campus linked to potential Sound Transit station locations. (see page 74,75)

- ***Policy A-3.4 Explore innovative parking measures such as a joint-use policy, off-site parking, and parking structures***

The University of Washington Campus Master plan recommends parking as part of the development program for many potential building sites as well as some stand alone parking structures.

Goal A-4

Maintain and enhance stable residential neighborhoods

- ***Policy A-4.5 Strengthen and enhance the mid-rise residential neighborhood south of NE 43rd Street between Roosevelt Avenue NE and Brooklyn Avenue NE***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan includes recommendations for university mixed-use residential development on University property in this area. (see pp.13-14)

Goal A-5

Accommodate University of Washington growth in a way that benefits the community as well

- ***Policy A-5.1 Provide community input where appropriate into the University Campus Master Plan process***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan process has included numerous public meetings and hearings to advise on the scope and content of the Campus Master Plan as well as to gain feedback from the University's neighboring communities on the Draft Campus Master Plan. (see Chapter VIII)

- ***Policy A-5.2 Allow University of Washington uses off-campus where there is also a benefit to the community***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan recommendations for university mixed-use development on University property in the University District will allow for more open space, and other functions accessible to the community. (see pp.13-14)

Additional leasing on non-University property in the area could increase University-affiliated employment in the community and decrease transportation impacts to the community since University of Washington employees have the U-Pass program. Private development could increase housing for University-affiliated employees. (see FEIS, Major Issues section)

Transportation

Goal B-1

Establish and improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities in the UCUC to provide safe, convenient, and desirable surroundings that encourage walking and bicycling

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan recommendations include a range of possible enhancements to bicycle paths, bicycle storage, and pedestrian routes in West Campus areas. (see pp. 33-37; 64-67)

Housing

Goal C-1

Provide housing for a mix of demographic and income groups

University of Washington Campus Master Plan recommends increasing student housing units on campus to accommodate demand. The Housing Task Force report has recommended ways for the University to assist faculty and staff to purchase housing in the neighborhood. (see Chapter XI)

Goal C-3

Enhance Neighborhood design quality and compatibility

- ***Policy C-3.1 Maintain attractive, pedestrian-oriented streetscapes through design guidelines, zoning requirements, and streetscape improvements***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan recommends improvements to the streetscapes on Brooklyn Avenue NE, 15th Avenue NE, Campus Parkway, NE 40th Street, NE 41st Street, NE 42nd Street, NE 43rd Street, and a new east-west pedestrian link between the potential north Pacific Street Sound Transit station and the Burke-Gilman Trail. (see Illustrative Development areas C-1 p. 100, S/W-1 p. 108, S/W-2 p. 109, S/W-5 p. 112; S/W-7 p. 114, and the Illustrative Campus Plan with Potential Development, p. 89)

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Urban Design Features

Goal D-1

Increase open space to serve existing and projected needs.

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan enhances and creates more open space on campus as well as discusses ways to increase and improve usable open space along 15th Avenue NE, on Campus Parkway, and between 15th Avenue NE and the Burke-Gilman Trail. (see “General Open Space and Landscape Policies” pp. 28-32 and 92-95, Chapter IV, and Illustrative Development Area S/W-6, page 113)

Goal D-2

Accommodate each neighborhood’s specific open space needs

- ***Policy D-2.2 In the lower section of Brooklyn Avenue, provide open space for residents, workers, and students and strengthen physical connections to the waterfront and campus. Work with the University of Washington on campus edges a redevelopment. Improve unused land in the public ROW.***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan increases open space in Lower Brooklyn Avenue NE and strengthens connections to the waterfront on Brooklyn as well as adds new street trees as development occurs. (see Illustrative Development Areas S/W-5 and S/W-6, pp. 112-113; and sites 39W and 42W would develop new open spaces)

- ***Policy D-2.5 In The Ave – 15th Avenue NE corridor, upgrade University Way with street-oriented open space nearby***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan increases street-oriented open space along 15th Avenue NE by bringing development closer to the street and softening the edge by removing or decreasing the height of the existing wall. (see p. 92)

Goal D-3

Improve the pedestrian and bicycle connections from neighborhoods to parks and recreational resources as a high priority

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan connects a new east-west pedestrian path to the Burke-Gilman Trail, improves the crossing of the Burke-Gilman Trail at Brooklyn and enhances pedestrian connections along the shoreline to the Sakuma Viewpoint. (see Illustrative Development Area S/W 5, pp. 60-63)

Goal D-5

Strengthen the visual, spatial, and circulatory connections between the University of Washington and the community

- ***Policy D-5.1 Work with the University on the campus edge and shoreline improvements in the upcoming Master plan.***

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan outlines improvements to bicycle and pedestrian access and enhances open space along the shoreline. (see pp.33-35, 57, 60-63, 95)

Goal D-8

Retain and restore environmental amenities.

One of the primary goals of the University of Washington Campus Master Plan is to preserve and enhance existing open space. (see pp. 54-57)

Arts and Cultural Activities

Goal E-4

Consider public art that enhances safety and pleasure for pedestrians.

- ***Policy E-4.1 Support functional public art through urban design, such as street lighting and other sidewalk amenities that enrich and support the pedestrian environment***

Like all state agencies, the University of Washington is required to set aside 1/2 of 1% of all state-allocated design and construction funds

for the acquisition of new works of art. Projects with budgets of less than \$200,000, most infrastructure projects and projects funded by self-sustaining budgets are not subject to this set-aside.

The University works collaboratively with the Washington State Arts Commission Art in Public Places Program to develop artwork projects and to select artists to create the works. A jointly-appointed standing body, the WSAC/UW Public Art Commission, is charged with the design and oversight of the program, with staff assistance from the Campus Art Administrator and contract management by WSAC.

All artwork commissioned by the WSAC/UWPAC is considered part of the state's art collection. As of 2001, there are 20 works in the state's art collection on the University campus.

UCUC Plan Adoption Matrix

From the plan directives and goals and objectives flow the specific action items that are included in the "UCUC Plan Adoption Matrix." This matrix was adopted via a resolution by the City Council in September 1998. The matrix is designed to establish a work program in response to the recommended activities proposed in the neighborhood plan. The matrix guides city actions and the allocation of resources for capital improvements in the UCUCP neighborhood. The matrix is divided into three sections:

1. *Key Strategies:* usually complex projects or related activities that the neighborhood considers critical to the successful implementation of the neighborhood plan.
2. *Additional Activities for Implementation:* clearly defined activities that are not directly associated with a Key Strategy, ranging from high to low in priority.
3. *Activities for Longer Term Consideration:* activities that, for a variety of reasons, are not yet ready for formal City response or are intended to be implemented several years in the future.

The effort to implement the UCUC Plan has been given to the City's Department of Neighborhoods (DON). In working with the DON and the community members, the University of Washington carefully reviewed each of the action items listed in the UCUC Plan "adoption matrix" to determine which items could be implemented through the Campus Master Plan. What follows is a listing of those action items that the University of Washington will be working to implement during the life of the Campus Master Plan as development occurs. The majority of the action items in the adoption matrix are outside the University's geographical boundaries or jurisdictional authority. Where that is the case, the University, through the Office of Regional Affairs, will continue to work with the City and the Community to be a part of the ongoing efforts to implement the vision of the UCUC Plan. Those action items that fall within the University boundaries or jurisdictional authority and can be implemented as development occurs in conjunction with the Campus Master Plan, are listed below.

I. Key Strategies

Key Strategies consist of activities for a single complex project or theme that the neighborhood considers critical to achieving its vision for the future. While the Key Strategies are high priorities for the neighborhood, they are also part of a twenty-year plan, so the specific activities within each Key Strategy may be implemented over the span of many years. What follows are the UCUC Plan Key Strategies from the Adoption Matrix and how the Campus Master Plan will work to implement these strategies on campus during the life of the Campus Master Plan as development occurs. The diagrams refer to the location of the key strategies (in bubbles). For reference, potential development site numbers are also shown.

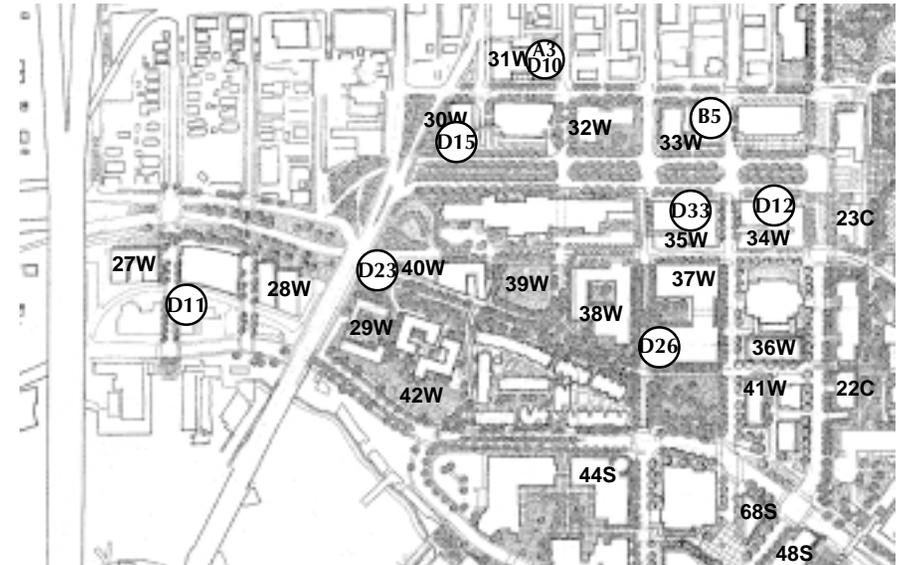
Southwest Quadrant

“The vision for this quadrant is that both areas become more attractive and better connected to surrounding services and amenities. Rather than a major shift in land use patterns, the UCUC Plan envisions a continuation of existing trend, with additional capital improvements to upgrade the physical setting.”

D15 Enhance gateway along 11th Avenue NE. Improve vacant triangles at NE 41st Street and 11th Avenue NE. Construct gateway features and upgrade bus stops.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, any open space, landscaping or building proposed for site 30W would be designed as a “gateway” to the University District and the University of Washington Campus. As part of development of site 30W, street trees could be added to the vacant triangle opposite 11th Avenue NE and its use as a “gateway” enhanced. University of Washington staff will work with the DON, SEATLAN, Community Transit and King County Metro to upgrade the bus stop. (see Figs. IX-1 and IX-2)

D11/D23 Upgrade the area around the Burke-Gilman Trail near the University bridge, I-5 bridge, and Peace Park. Improve the landscaping and paths. Add security lighting where needed.



West Campus

Figure IX-1



Illustrative Drawing of Site 30W: Gateway to the University District and the University of Washington

Figure IX-2

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, landscape improvements are proposed for the streets bordering Sites 27W and 28W in conjunction with the development of those sites, thus upgrading the area below the University Bridge. Improved pedestrian connections are proposed from 9th Avenue NE, across NE 40th Street

and to the Burke Gilman Trail (see page 115 and Figure IX-1). These improved connections would feed into the small boat ramp park proposed at the end of 7th Avenue NE and Brooklyn Avenue NE (Figure IX-1).

D27 Require sidewalks and street trees for all new development south of the Burke-Gilman Trail and east of the University Bridge.

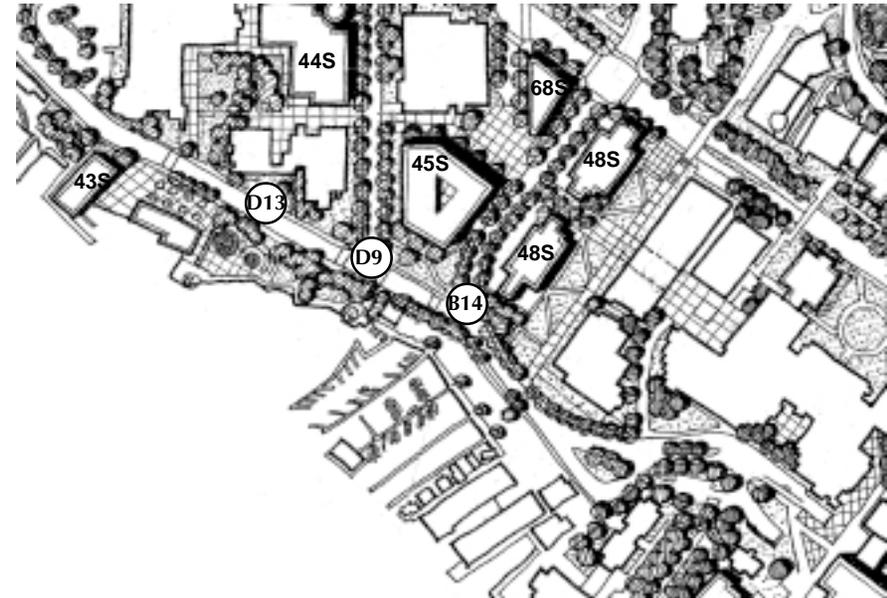
In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, as potential development sites are developed, preservation of open space and landscape improvements are part of the building program. This includes street trees and sidewalks. The potential development sites south of the Burke-Gilman Trail and east of the University Bridge would be 43S, 44S, and 45S (page 112).

Lower Brooklyn

“The vision for Lower Brooklyn is to intensify and solidify the residential neighborhood’s character, to provide a better transition between the campus and adjacent activities, to integrate proposed transit improvements, and to improve gateways and connections around the periphery.”

A3 Rezone from L-3 to Midrise (MR) in Lo-Bro and refine design guidelines to ensure privacy for neighbors, hidden parking, visible open space, and design quality.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, heights in the Campus Master Plan for that area approximate the mid-rise zoning as contemplated by this action item. The CMP Objectives by Campus Area as listed on page 13 ensure that development in the West Campus will not turn its back on the residential community in the Lower Brooklyn Avenue neighborhood. The University agreed to lower the height of development site 31W to conform with this action item. A height rezone is being requested in this Campus Master Plan from 105 feet to 65 feet for site 31W to conform with the UCUC Plan. (see page 132 for height rezone request for site 31W and Figure IX-1)



Southwest Shoreline

Figure IX-3

D9 Support the University of Washington’s enhancement/ expansion of Sakuma park at the foot of Brooklyn Avenue NE as part of the master plan update.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University has enhanced Sakuma Viewpoint and as part of the vision for the Campus Master Plan, the plan proposes that the UW Fish Rearing Ponds be relocated to the area of influence adjacent to site 43S. This development would be done so that the Sakuma Viewpoint would be further enhanced and the ponds could be enjoyed by the public. (see pp. 15-16 and Illustrative Development Area S/W-5, page 112 and Figure IX-3)

D13 Support University of Washington efforts to construct a contiguous waterfront trail extending from the Montlake Bridge to the University Bridge

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, it is proposed that pedestrian circulation be enhanced by connecting the waterfront trail so it is contiguous from the Montlake Bridge to the University Bridge. (see page 63 and Figure IX-3)

D26 Improve Brooklyn Ave NE as a green street and signed bicycle route for Ravenna Boulevard to the water.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, street trees will be added as development occurs that fronts Brooklyn (see p. 114, Sites 44S, 45S and p. 112, Site 38W and p. 113, Site 37W, p. 109): bicycle improvements between NE Pacific Street and NE 40th Street (see p.67). The University will cooperate with the City in providing a network of bicycle paths to, from, and on campus (see “General Transportation Policy”, p.33-34 and Figure IX-1)

D33 Unify the area between NE 40th and 41st Streets/Brooklyn Avenue NE and 15th Avenue NE. Develop small open spaces and improve streets as parcels are redeveloped.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, Campus Parkway alternatives include developing more usable open space on Campus Parkway and new open space above sites 42W and 39W, street trees added adjacent to proposed development. (see Illustrative Development Area S/W-1, p.106 and S/W-6, p. 113)

General policies call for better use of Campus Parkway by improving open space (see p. 13, Chapter VI, and Figure IX-1)

University Gardens Mixed-Use Core Development

“The vision for the University Gardens Core is its redevelopment into a more intense pedestrian-oriented, mixed-use complex, with amenities, open space, and transit accessibility supporting a wide variety of compatible activities. The UCUC plan envisions this area as an ideal location for new knowledge-based business centers that might branch off from university research, and as a likely setting for university off-campus activities. The University Gardens Core is also seen as a strong multifamily residential neighborhood, with pleasant streets, open spaces, and amenities.”

B17 Transit Staging. Provide adequate (preferably off street) staging facilities to serve transit demand. Pursue mixed use transit staging facility between 11th and 12th Avenues NE and NE 45th and 47th Streets.

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D24 Partner with KC/Metro to develop open space in association with KC/Metro’s bus staging/parking structure.

While this specific project was set back with the passage of Initiative 695, the University is still interested in working with the City, King County, SEATLAN, UDPA and the community to make this project a reality.

D31 Identify key open space opportunities associated with new development. Institute workable development incentives for developers to provide open space.

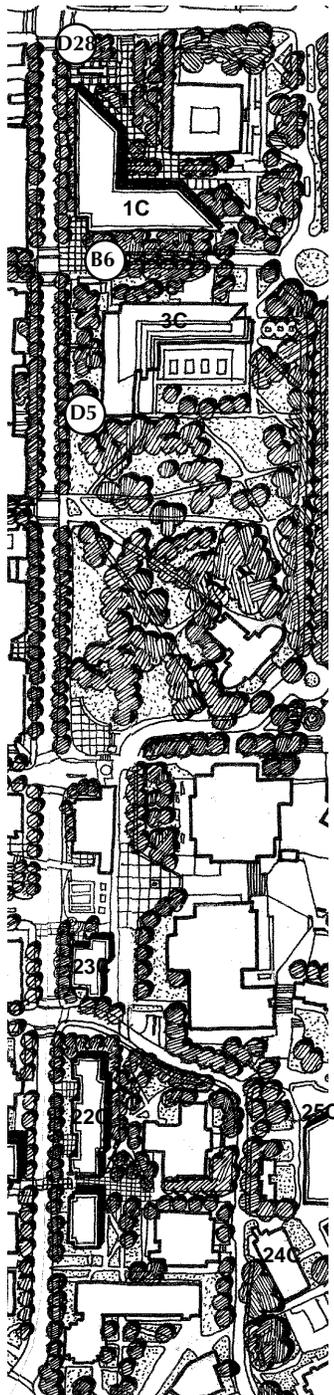
The University of Washington Campus Master Plan identifies new and enhanced open space that will be developed and/or improved as campus development occurs. (see p. 54-57)

The Ave/15th Avenue NE Corridor

“The community sees this area as a vibrant retail shopping district, with both regional attractions and local services. With the Burke Museum, the Henry Gallery, Meany Theatre, and other attractions, it is also the focus of cultural activities. Finally, its role as a regionally important transportation hub should be explored, but not allowed to overrun its role as a community and retail focus.”

B1 Transit Corridors. Evaluate the existing operations and future conditions (including Sound Transit station and increased service) of the key UCUC transit corridors of NE Pacific Street, NE 45th Street, NE 50th Street, 15th Avenue NE, and University Way NE and develop a set of strategies that will improve transit speeds under future conditions.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University proposes bus stop improvements, bus layovers, and is working with Sound Transit on the development of potential new light-rail stations on University of Washington property (see pp. 34, 72-75). The University is also providing local shuttles for Health Sciences and Night Ride (see p. 160). General transportation policies call for working with transit agencies to provide a high level of service for the area (see p. 33, 37, 160). An example of this is the University of Washington’s work with Metro to increase the speed of Route 44.



15th Ave NE Figure IX-4

B5 University Way NE. Move forward with the construction of wider sidewalks, installation of bus bulbs, and other features as outlined in The Ave Street Design Plan.

The University supports and has worked with members of the “Ave Group” to get the Ave Street Design Plan funded. In addition, the University of Washington may install street trees and other improvements along University Way, south of NE 41st Street adjacent to proposed development. Also, extension of street trees from 15th Avenue NE along NE 42nd Street & NE 43rd Street will enhance Ave improvements (see p. 92 and Figure IX-1)

B6 NE 43rd Street between the Ave and the campus. Improve the pedestrian link between the Ave and the campus on NE 43rd Street without closing the street and maintain alley access. Study in conjunction with the Sound Transit station design to determine the scale and scope of improvements.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan street trees may be extended along NE 43rd Street from 15th Avenue NE adjacent to proposed development: pedestrian access at NE 43rd Street will be improved, new development will be designed to open up to 15th Avenue NE as well as on to campus; University of Washington did work with Sound Transit on station design until it was put on hold (see p. 34, 74). Transportation policies call for providing enhanced pedestrian linkages across 15th Avenue NE (see p. 92). Central Campus policies call for creating better connections between campus and community (see p. 12-13 and Figure IX-4).

B18 Transit Service. Improve transit linkages to community destinations, including U Village, Ravenna Urban Village, the University of Washington campus, the Ave, and Sound Transit stations, through shuttle bus service and or the use of existing KC/ Metro bus routes to provide frequent, convenient and economical service with in the UCUC.

The University of Washington operates two local shuttles (Health Sciences and Night Ride) which supplement commuter services (see p. 160). In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan general transportation policies call for working with transit agencies to

maintain a high level of service in the area (see p. 33). The University is currently working with the City on the University Area Transportation Study.

D5 Improve 15th Avenue NE with landscaping and transit amenities. Encourage the University of Washington to soften the University of Washington campus edge and provide open space enhancements on the campus at NE 45th Street, NE 42nd Street and/or NE 43rd street. Do not reduce transportation capacity.

The University of Washington has been working with Sound Transit to incorporate potential light rail stations into this campus plan, providing direct pedestrian paths to and from each station (see pp. 75, 160). In addition, a plan for the 15th Avenue NE Corridor includes removing or decreasing the amount and height of the retaining wall as new development occurs, adding new street trees, and designing new

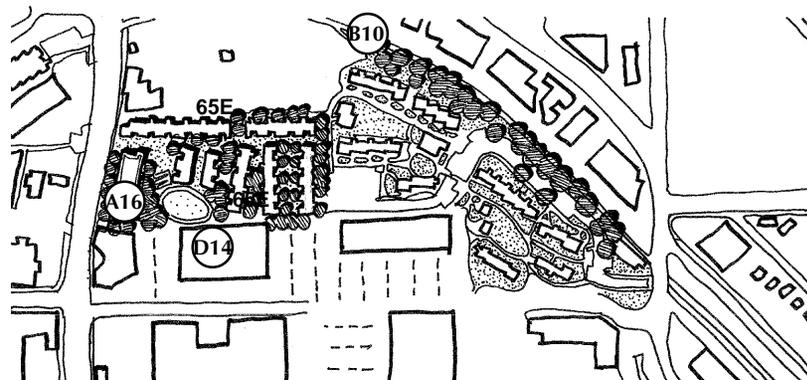
buildings to open onto the 15th Avenue NE and the Campus (see p. 92 and Figure IX-4).

Ravenna Urban Village

“The vision for Ravenna builds on the area’s history. ‘Aims’ listed in the description includes increasing transit and pedestrian connections, retaining the current scale of residential development and enhancing the neighborhood shopping area to support a vision for the area that is consistent with the urban village strategy.”

B10 University Village Access. Maintain controlled access at the “north gate” connecting through University of Washington family housing to Burke-Gilman. Improve pedestrian and vehicular safety at access drives on south side and east side of Village. Investigate ADA access from 25th Avenue NE to University Village parking lot.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University of Washington will maintain controlled access through this gate as part of the 25th Avenue NE Blakeley Village Addition Housing Project being developed under the GPDP. (see Figure IX-5)



Blakeley Village Housing Site

Figure IX-5

II. Specific Activities for Implementation

The activities listed under this title are not directly associated with the Key Strategies listed above. For each activity, the City has identified next steps as a part of the City’s work program in response to the UCUC Plan. Many of the next steps are actions to be taken by the City, but in some cases, the neighborhood or another agency will be able to take the next steps. As with the activities listed for each of the Key Strategies above, these activities are intended to be implemented by the City, the neighborhood, or other agencies over the span of many years. What follows are the UCUC Plan-specific activities from the adoption matrix and how the Campus Master Plan will work to help implement these activities on campus during the life of the Campus Master Plan as development occurs.

Land Use and Economic Development

A 16 Develop design guidelines for tree preservation and planting on 25th Avenue NE and in Ravenna Urban Village area in general.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University of Washington student housing being developed along 25th Avenue NE on the old “Vic Mix” property next to the Silver Cloud Inn, will include street trees along 25th Avenue NE and within the property as well. The trees along 25th Avenue NE will blend with other plantings that are envisioned by the City under this goal. (see Figure IX-5)

Transportation

B4 Signal timing refinements to improve movement of traffic.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, general transportation policies encourage the University to cooperate with the City in improving traffic flow on streets surrounding and leading to campus. (see p. 33)

B14 Shoreline/Campus trail. Establish a bike route through the University of Washington linking the planned bicycle lanes on NE Boat Street with an underpass at Montlake Boulevard on the north side of the Montlake bridge.

Bicycle circulation improvements proposed in the University of Washington Campus Master Plan (see pp. 66-67 and Figure IX-3), include a continuous path proposed along the waterfront between the University Bridge and the Montlake Bridge. The Montlake Underpass was studied in the SW Campus Master Plan and was put on hold due to high costs and limited traffic improvement benefits.

B 24 Urban Center Transportation Programs. Study the feasibility of developing a TMP for the UCUC under the stewardship of a broadly-based community planning association.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University recognizes its role in non-university processes designed to study and address transportation issues that affect the university area (see p. 33).

The University is currently working with the City of Seattle Strategic Planning Office as they develop the University District Transportation Study.

B25 Ride Free Zone. Establish a ride free transit zone within the UCUC area. Alternatively, establish a shuttle system to cover specific needs.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University of Washington plans to continue providing local shuttles for Health Sciences and Night Ride, although these are not commuter programs (see p. 160)

Housing

C1 Institute an employer assisted housing program in which major employers (e.g. University of Washington) encourage employees to locate in the community through reduced loan fees and closing costs.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University of Washington plans to continue participating in the City-initiated Hometown Home Loan program which provides discounts on certain fees and closing costs. Nearly 2/3 of homes purchased under this program were in Seattle and 1/3 were in North Seattle. (see p. 208)

C2 Institute a shared equity housing partnership program.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University Housing Task Force plans to continue evaluating a shared equity housing program as a possible expansion to the Hometown Home Loan Program. (see p. 208)

Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Urban Design Features

D10 Encourage the University of Washington to consider incorporating open space into University of Washington development between 11th Avenue NE and 12th Avenue NE just north of NE 41st Street.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, development must respect housing to the east (see p. 108). A potential courtyard is shown in the illustrative plan. (see p. 95 and Figure IX-1)

D11 Install sidewalks, lighting, and street trees on 7th Avenue NE connecting the Burke-Gilman Trail to the shoreline.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, sidewalks and street trees may be developed adjacent to proposed development as shown in the illustrative plan (see p. 112 and Figure IX-1); pedestrian connections to the Burke-Gilman Trail also may be developed. (see p. 116)

D12 Explore various ways to upgrade Campus Parkway to increase useable open space.

The University of Washington campus planners explored ways to make the median on Campus Parkway more usable during the discussions with the community and City about the Draft Campus Master Plan. While no conclusion was reached on this issue, *Chapter IV, Street Vacations* continues to explore alternatives to make this space more usable. (see Figure IX-1)

D14 Encourage the University of Washington to explore opportunities for sharing the Vic Mix Pond area (east of 25th Avenue NE between Silver Cloud Motel and University Village) as part of housing development or community recreation space.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the new student housing development at 25th Avenue NE being developed under the GPDP will bring back the man-made “Vic Mix” pond. The pond will be accessible to the general public however a low fence

and planting will surround the pond to keep small children from falling in. (see Figure IX-5)

D28 Create a north gateway to the University District at the Ave or 15th Avenue NE and NE 45th Street. Consider “University of Washington front door” Burke Museum, Sound Transit potential new development and KC/Metro improvements.

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan includes an improved pedestrian entrance at NE 45th Street and 15th Avenue NE which could serve as a gateway to the University District and the Ave (see p. 92 and Figure IX-4). Campus entry with sightlines onto campus and into the Ave will be created as development occurs on sites 1C, 2C and 4C(see p. 100). The potential Sound Transit station is slated for the corner of 15th Avenue NE and NE 45th Street. If the Burke decides to expand on its current site, the new building could act as the “University of Washington front door.” If the Building is not the Burke, the potential design will also open to 15th Avenue NE and to the community and include a walkway connection through the site.

D35 Encourage tree planting in the University Urban Center.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, all proposed University of Washington development sites include landscaping considerations which usually include the addition of adjacent street trees and open space with trees. (see pp. 28-32)

Arts and Cultural Activities

E10 Identify historically important buildings and work with arts and government agencies to preserve significant landmarks that contribute to the continuity and character of the community.

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan describes the University’s ongoing commitment and process for preserving historical buildings and significant landscapes on campus. (see p.23-27)

E11 Encourage the University of Washington to employ cultural and public oriented performances and facilities to create greater interaction between the community and the University. This can be done through physically timing and orienting features to the community and through programs to give local community members special access.

The University schedules many such activities including the “Summer Arts Festival” that will showcase its second year in the summer of 2001. This festival is open to the general public and has free activities in addition to the ticketed events.

Public Safety

G1 Integrate security planning with development of parks and open space.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, planting design and maintenance will consider personal safety on campus. (see p. 29)

Community Coordination, Communication, and Participation in Decision Making for Plan Implementation and Redevelopment Activities.

H3 Create a liaison task force of UCUC Planning Committee members or its successor organization to advise and assist the University of Washington in interpreting the Urban Center Plan as necessary to expedite the University of Washington Campus Master Plan process.

The University of Washington planners worked closely with members of CUCAC and other community members involved in drafting the UCUC as they developed the Campus Master Plan. (see Chapter VIII)

III. Activities for Longer-Term Consideration

At the time of the UCUC Plan adoption in 1998, these activities were items that the City needed more time to prepare responses to. Many

of the items listed in the adoption matrix under this title have been more fully developed and analyzed by the City since 1998. What follows are the UCUC Plan activities for longer-term consideration from the adoption matrix and how the Campus Master Plan will work to help implement these activities on campus during the life of the Campus Master Plan as development occurs.

B23 Bicycle Parking Areas. Increase the number of required bicycle parking stalls for developments in areas in the UCUCP. Authorize, as part of mitigation requirements, the establishment of community bicycle parking areas such as that found in front of the University Bookstore.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, secure bicycle storage will be programmed into each new building project (see pp. 35) as well as additional covered bicycle storage (see p. 163)

D36 Develop design guidelines to protect the Burke-Gilman Trail, to address issues such as minimal setbacks, shading, driveways, trailside plantings, etc.

The University of Washington Campus Master Plan creates guidelines for University development along the Burke-Gilman Trail. (see p. 21 and 129)

I1 Conduct an urban center-wide transportation analysis of all arterial corridors with the objective of assessing existing capacity issues, forecasting future demands, and establishing implementation policies, funding priorities and strategies in the form of a UCUC Transportation Plan.

In the University of Washington Campus Master Plan, the University recognizes its role in non-university processes designed to study and address transportation issues that affect the university area (see p. 33). The University is currently working with the City of Seattle Strategic Planning Office as they develop the University District Transportation Study.