

**HMSC Master Planning Committee Meeting**  
**October 9, 2007, 2:00 PM**  
**Guin Library Seminar Room**

**Minutes - *DRAFT***

Attending: George Boehlert (HMSC), Scott Baker (MMI); Devin Brakob (NOAA-NWFSC), Bob Buckman (ODFW); Matteo Costamagna (Newport Community); Curt Davis (COAS); Dave Fox (ODFW), Ken Hall (HMSC); Bill Hanshumaker (Sea Grant / HMSC Visitor Center); Roy Lowe (USFWS), Walt Nelson (EPA), Patrick O'Connor (OCCC), Al Stoner (NOAA-AFSC), Gil Sylvia (COMES), Karen Tofte (ODFW-Salem), Randy Walker (HMSC Facilities)

Not represented: CIMRS, Hatfield Students Organization, USDA/ARS

**Introductions**

This was the first meeting of the Master Planning Committee. George Boehlert provided an overview of the committee's role and responsibilities, as delineated in the Master Plan. The purpose of meetings, generally expected to occur once a year, is to review the status of proposed new building plans and major modifications to facilities on the HMSC campus.

**Building Plan Summaries and Updates**

Youth and Family Education Building: Bill Hanshumaker reviewed the five sites that have been considered for the proposed new facility to house Sea Grant's marine education programs for K-12 and general public. Potential collaboration between Sea Grant and the Oregon Coast Aquarium has been explored, but there is currently no funding identified for the building.

OCCC Aquarium Science Building: Pat O'Connor distributed information on the proposed building and location (west of the education wing and Guin Library across the service road from ODFW parking lot) and discussed funding situation. Unanticipated reductions in state funding have stalled construction schedule. OCCC will seek commitment of \$4.7M during the Feb. 2008 legislative session. In keeping with HMSC Master Plan guidelines, the original 14,000 square foot building design was expanded to include a second floor, which would likely be leased space. OCCC welcomes complementary space use proposals.

Marine Mammal/Marine Science Building: Scott Baker reported on the conceptual plan developed for a two story building with 28,000 square feet of office and flexible lab space in phase one) at a projected cost of \$12M. The building is designed to accommodate a second phase expansion of an additional 14,000 sq. ft. and the proposed location is the south side of Guin Library. The financing plan is to raise half from private sources and the rest in state matching funds.

ODFW Building Expansion: Dave Fox discussed a proposed expansion of the ODFW building to accommodate expected growth of the Marine Resources Program, which is slated to nearly double the number of ODFW personnel located at HMSC. The proposed two-story addition to

the west end of the existing building would add 17,500 square feet of office space. There would also be a reconfiguration of space in the current building to re-claim lab space and accommodate some new large equipment. Cost is estimated at \$6.8M, including the lab renovations and additional parking required.

HMSC Facilities Move: Randy Walker described the proposed re-location of HMSC Facilities maintenance department to a location near the south gate entrance. The structure would be a simple insulated metal barn on a concrete slab with approximately 9,000 square feet of space to accommodate a receiving area, mechanical shop, carpentry shop, and 2 offices. The cost is estimated at approximately \$1M.

Landscaping at HMSC: Ken Hall shared some of the observations and recommendations offered by the University of Oregon landscape architecture studio class, based on its analysis of the HMSC site, users, circulation patterns, proposed buildings and Master Plan guiding principles. Drawings illustrating various suggested landscape improvements and amenities were presented at HMSC in April 2007, and are available for further viewing and consideration.

## **Discussion**

Comments, questions, and discussion on the proposed building projects and related issues, including:

- Landscape and signage improvements for OSU Drive: consider example of landscaped approach to PDX along Airport Way – some good ideas there
- Expanded parking associated with proposed new buildings: handicapped spaces in close proximity to building entrances must be maintained; consider “grasscrete” or other non-paved surfaces to reduce runoff; consider re-orientation of parking spaces (e.g. on south side of proposed marine mammal science/genomics bldg) so that cars aren’t backing out of spaces into roadway traffic; do we need a professional analysis/assessment of parking and circulation issues?
- Impacts that projected growth will have on systems (e.g. seawater, sewage, emergency back-up power); need to consider design capabilities and infrastructure
- How Master Planning Committee will operate as plans and timelines for proposed new buildings change

## **Action Items**

HMSC Director’s Office will send periodic emails, at least once every 6 months, to solicit information and share updates with Master Planning Committee members. Committee will meet in person once a year, or as needed during active periods of proposed new construction.