



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: CEO
Department No.: 012
For Agenda Of: 3/18/08
Placement: Set Hearing
Estimated Tme: 30 minutes on 3/25/08
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Michael F. Brown, County Executive Officer
Director(s)
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SUBJECT: Overview of UCSB Long Range Development Plan

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: Select_Concurrence

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- (A) Set a hearing on March 18, 2008 to receive a report from staff from the University of California, Santa Barbara on March 25, 2008 regarding its Long Range Development Plan.
- (B) On March 25, 2008, receive and file a report from the University of California, Santa Barbara regarding its Long Range Development Plan.
- (C) On March 25, 2008, direct the LRDP Ad Hoc Committee and County staff to review the Long Range Development Plan and its associated Draft Environmental Impact Report and provide written comments to the University within the legally required timeframe.

Summary Text:

The University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) is releasing its Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) and associated Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). The LRDP is a long-range plan that guides the physical development of a campus for an established timeframe based on academic goals and projected student enrollment. The 2007-2025 LRDP is the first update since the 1990 LRDP and will outline the proposed changes to the academic programs and campus including increased enrollment of students (projected increase at a rate of one percent a year for a total of 5,000 additional students in the year 2025), additional hiring of faculty and staff, development of housing, development of campus academic space and other environmental impacts such as increased traffic. Summary information of the LRDP, based on information contained within the University's Initial Study released in May 2007, is noted in the table below.

Summary of the LRDP Objectives				
	Existing	Proposed	Total by 2025	
Student Enrollment	20,000	+ 5,000	25,000	Students
Faculty Population	1,054	+ 300	1,354	Faculty
Staff Population	3,631	+ 1,400	5,031	Staff
Academic Space	2.9 Mil.	+ 1.6 Mil.	4.5 Mil.	ASF
Student Bed Spaces	6,663	+ 4,816	11,479	Student Bed Spaces
Student Families Housing Units	743	+ 184	927	Student Family Units
Faculty/Staff Housing Units	237	+ 1,798	2,035	Faculty/Staff Units
Recreational	26	+ 6	32	Acres
Parking Spaces	10,480	+ 3,653	14,133	Spaces

Source: UCSB LRDP Initial Study, May 2007

According to the UCSB Vision 2025 Fact Sheet, “The LRDP process is designed to address community concerns and environmental impacts, while allowing for manageable growth in the student population. The proposed plan offers real solutions to future issues, based on a commitment to managing traffic, avoiding sprawl, and taking responsibility for managing new demand for housing and other services.”

As such, the LRDP process offers the County an opportunity to review the LRDP and DEIR and assess the overall impacts that the projected growth may have on the community, including infrastructure and the delivery of countywide services. The LRDP will follow the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process:

- Issue of notice of preparation,
- Draft LRDP and EIR released,
- Draft final EIR and LRDP released,
- 45 day review/comment period (*County will likely have 45 days to respond to UCSB*)
- UCSB prepares written response and re-circulates draft EIR for review/comment or moves draft EIR for certification
- Review by UC Regents
- Review by California Coastal Commission
- Final EIR Certified

Background:

This item is on the Board’s agenda to receive a report from the University regarding its 2025 LRDP. Upon the release of the LRDP and DEIR, County staff, with direction from the Board, will formulate a response based on its assessment of potential impacts to countywide infrastructure and services and present the initial findings to the Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee for review. (The Ad-Hoc Advisory Committee was formed by the Board on June 5, 2007 and comprised of Supervisors Firestone and Wolf to provide direction to County staff and assist in discussions with the University regarding the LRDP.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Fiscal Analysis:

Narrative: The increased size of the campus in terms of population and additional academic space and housing will increase the demand for services provided by the County, including, but not limited to, fire, law enforcement and traffic. The fiscal and service-related impacts to the County will be analyzed within the context of the LRDP and DEIR and presented to the Board of Supervisors in a future meeting.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:
N/A

FTEs:
N/A

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