



TOPIC: University of Maryland, College Park: 2011-2030 Facilities Master Plan

COMMITTEE: Finance

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: January 26, 2012

SUMMARY: The University of Maryland, College Park requests Board of Regents approval of the 2011-2030 Facilities Master Plan.

The University of Maryland is the Flagship Campus of the University System of Maryland (USM). The campus is 30 miles west of Annapolis, 25 miles southwest of Baltimore and 5 miles north of the border of Washington, D.C. The University's main campus consists of approximately 13.5 million gross square feet (GSF) in 263 buildings on approximately 1,250 acres. With the inclusion of off-campus facilities, including leased facilities, the building inventory totals nearly 14.7 million GSF on approximately 5,100 acres. Based on the Fall 2010 Space Guidelines Application Program (SGAP), the base year (Fall 2010) inventory reflects a total space deficit of 1.7 million net assignable square feet (NASF). All of the major room use categories (classroom, class laboratory, research laboratory, office, and study space) show deficits. If the USM plan for enrollment and funding is implemented, deficits are projected to increase during the 10-year period in all major room use categories totaling more than 2.7 million NASF or equal to approximately 24 buildings.

Under the direction of the 2001 Plan, the campus has met many of its goals and built out over 3 million gross square feet (GSF). Major new construction or renovation completed since the Plan's approval include the Comcast Center, Chemistry Teaching Building, Stamp Student Union Renovation, Jeong H. Kim Building, Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center, Tawes Hall Renovation, Mayer Mall, John S. and James L. Knight Hall, and new student housing (1,400 beds). Open space projects completed include the Garden of Reflection and Remembrance, the Peace and Friendship Garden, and Washington Quad.

Consistent with the USM plan for enrollment growth and funding, student enrollment is projected to increase by 7% from 2010-2020. Faculty headcount is projected to increase by 6% and staff headcount are projected to rise during the same time period by 15%.

The 2011-2030 Facilities Master Plan builds on the vision put forth in the 2001-2020 Facilities Plan and the advances that flowed from it in the last decade. The current plan continues and refines that vision and lifts the campus and facilities to a new level of beauty and function.

The Plan incorporates and exploits new opportunities, such as the designation of the campus as an Arboretum and Botanical Garden, the establishment of the Purple Line light rail, and the East Campus Development Initiative. It responds to challenges including new state and federal regulations regarding stormwater and wastewater, demands for increased space based on specific mandates for expanded research activity and enrollment growth, and the need for an increase in recreational space for students.

