## Infrastructure Council Agenda September 14, 2012 10:00 am - noon Steinbrenner Band Hall Conference Room

**Council Charge:** This council's area encompasses the University's infrastructure supporting the University's academic mission, including the provision of physical facilities and other physical resources; libraries; information technology; the campus master plan; and the availability of adequate computer, classroom, laboratory and other resources.

## AGENDA

- 1. Approve Jay Watkins as Chair of the Infrastructure Council
- 2. Approval of minutes from April's meeting
- 3. Cheri Brodeur Faculty Senate Chair
- 4. Review of agenda
- 5. Cross Campus Greenway Design Project
- 6. Name change for the old "Pony Field"
- 7. Reporting Committees
  - a. Steering Committee Jay Watkins
  - b. Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Thomas Caswell
  - c. University Libraries Committee Mario Poceski
  - d. Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee Ray Thomas
  - e. Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee Bill Millard

Subject:

FW: Cross Campus Greenway Design Project Begins

From: John Watkins [mailto:watkins@UFL.EDU]
Sent: Monday, September 10, 2012 1:09 PM
To: Alvers,Susan M
Subject: Fwd: Cross Campus Greenway Design Project Begins

Item for the Infrastructure committee

Along with a name change for the old "Pony Field"

Begin forwarded message:

## Subject: Cross Campus Greenway Design Project Begins

## Good afternoon,

We are sending this email to keep you apprised of a unique upcoming project on UF campus. The Florida Department of Transportation has funded the design and construction of a bicycle/pedestrian path on the UF campus roughly following Hull Road, Mowry Road, the creek north of the Health Science Center, and Newell Drive. This path has been shown on the unfunded transportation needs list in the UF Campus Master Plan and was also included on the community's Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization's priority project needs list. The path, known as the Cross Campus Greenway, is depicted on the attached map and is part of a larger cross-county bicycle facility being constructed from Archer to Hawthorne, with trail connections going north on West 6th Street and Waldo Road. Please keep in mind that the attached map shows the planned alignment, but details will be adjusted as the project goes through design. Currently, FDOT has funded design of the path from SW 34th Street to the intersection of Newell Drive/Archer Road. They have programmed construction of the segment from SW 34th Street to Gale Lemerand Dr., anticipating award of the construction contract in August 2014; however, the remaining segment east of Gale Lemerand Dr. may be fully funded for construction by the time that fiscal year comes around.

The design project was advertised earlier this spring and FDOT has awarded the project to the engineering consultant, Volkert, Inc. with offices in Gainesville. Survey work will commence soon on the corridor, so you may begin to notice activity. As design proceeds, FDOT and their consultants will bring the project through the University's standard committee review process, but they also plan to conduct general public workshops at critical design milestones. They expect design to be complete by April 2014. Howie Ferguson from FP&C and Chuck Hogan from PPD will be the project management liaisons for the University, but the project will be managed by FDOT. FDOT will follow or incorporate many of our standard procedures (e.g. dig permits, road closure requests, tree mitigation payments, etc.) and will adhere to pertinent Design & Construction Standards for work at UF (along with their own).

We will keep you informed as this project proceeds, but please forward this message to staff, faculty, and other interested parties ... particularly units with facilities along the depicted path. As far as any of us know, this is the first time FDOT has constructed a project on the UF campus (or possibly any SUS campus), but we hope to make coordination as seamless as possible. A benefit for UF is that portions of our infrastructure will be improved, which is especially

welcomed in these times of doing more with less. The project also advances UF's sustainability and healthy lifestyles commitments by supporting bicycling and walking.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

- Linda Dixon and Howie Ferguson

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