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Timothy Young, Chair  
Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee  
2570 Hull Rd, Bldg. 1291  
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Dear Mr. Young:

After reviewing the minutes of the Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee meeting held on June 7, 2022, please note the following:

1. Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee recommends approval of the design development for the MP06867 – Baby Gator at Lake Alice project as presented.

I approve the committee's recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Curtis A. Reynolds".

Curtis A. Reynolds  
Vice President for Business Affairs

cc: Committee Members  
Rachel Mandell

**Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee**  
**June 07, 2022 at 2:00 PM**  
**Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive**  
**ZOOM Minutes**

**ATTENDEES:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Ann Baird, Librarian, UF AFA Library  
Meredith Beaupre, Academic Advisor, Honors Program  
Mike Castine, Planner, Growth Management for Alachua County  
Nancy Chrystal-Green, AVP – Division of Student Affairs  
Paul Davenport, Distinguished Professor, Physiological Sciences  
Daniel Dickrell, Associate Director, Student Programs  
Linda Dixon, Planning, Design & Construction  
Scott Fox, Transportation & Parking  
Ira Harkness, Instructional Assistant Professor, Material Sciences & Engineering  
Kevin Heinicka, IFAS Facilities Planning & Operations  
Shannon (Lexie) Holliday, Associate Professor, Orthodontics  
Lauren Lemasters, Student  
Racheal Levings, Sr. Scientist, Orthopedics and Rehabilitation  
Cydney McGlothlin, University Architect, Planning, Design & Construction  
Keith Rambo, Engineer, Electrical & Computer Engineering  
William (Bill) Smith, Assistant Director, Operations, University Athletics Association  
Richard Stepp, Associate Professor, Anthropology/Latin American Studies  
Timothy Young, Sr. Associate, Academic Advising Center  
Hannah Vander Zanden, Assistant Professor, Biology

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Prabir Barooah, Professor, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering  
Nancy Clark, Associate Professor, School of Architecture  
Missy Daniels, Growth Management, Alachua County  
Carlos Dougnac, AVP, Planning, Design & Construction  
Noah Fineberg, Student  
Megan Forbes, Chair, English Language Institute  
Kyle Garner, Student  
Creed Greer, Program Director, University Writing Program  
Gail Hansen De Chapmen, Chair, Lakes, Vegetation & Landscaping Committee  
Mark Helms, AVP, Facility Services Division  
Danny Indelicato, Professor, Radiation Oncology  
Brian Keith, Associate Dean, Office of Library Administration  
Mark Leeps, Assistant, Journalism  
Frank Lomonte, Director & Professor, College of Journalism  
Jamieson McMahon, Building Code Inspector, EH&S  
Jacqueline Miller, Curator/Adjunct Professor

Andrew Persons, Director, Department of Doing, City of Gainesville  
Brandi Renton, Assistant Vice President, Business Affairs  
Zhong (John) Su, Associate Professor, Radiation Oncology – JAX  
Jay Watkins, Associate Director and Associate Professor, School of Music  
Matt Williams, Director, Office of Sustainability

**VISITORS:**

Rachel Mandell, Sr. Planner, Planning, Design & Construction  
Melissa Thomas, Planning, Design & Construction  
Robbie Grassano, Project Manager, Planning, Design & Construction  
Tom Feather, Project Manager, Planning, Design & Construction  
Milo Zapata, Project Manager, Planning, Design & Construction  
Frank Javaheri, Director of Construction, Planning, Design & Construction  
Kaylee August, Office of Sustainability  
Ashley Grassano, Manager, BATS  
Laurie Hall, CHW  
Iris Meeker, Walker Architects  
Walker Fain Owen, Unknown

**CHAIR:** Tim Young chaired this meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Tim called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:**

Paul Davenport moved to approve the May minutes and the agenda; Shannon Holliday seconded; motion passed unanimously.

**MP06867 – Baby Gator at Lake Alice (Design Development)**

**PRESENTING: Robbie Grassano/Laurie Hall**

**DISCUSSION:** Robbie introduced himself and stated he was before the committee to discuss the Baby Gator project. Laurie Hall with CHW and Iris Meeker from Walker Architects were on the call to present.

Laurie started the presentation with an overview of the project and informed the committee that the project was in the Design Development Phase. The scope of the project includes the parking lot, tree removals, and a landscape plan. The design goals of the project are to increase the playground and outdoor space, improve systems and materials, create a safe environment and foster learning and research at all ages. The expansion is approximately 5,500 square feet, and the existing building renovation is approximately 8860 square feet. The project will be moving slightly west and have a playground area to the north of the building. The existing area will be reconfigured to have the renovation come out over the existing parking lot and the new parking lot will be placed where the existing volleyball court is now, with approval from Housing.

Laurie showed the proposed configuration of the parking lot and the circle drop off. There were 29 existing spaces and there will be 30 parking spaces when the project is completed. She also showed the 7 tree removals that were approved by LVL and the plant palette for the landscaping

around the building and parking lot. The circle drive will be a one-way drop off per the recommendation of the Transportation and Parking committee. The committee asked about the parent drop off parking and if more spaces could be added. The team responded that the number of spaces for parent drop off will be the same as before. The committee asked for further clarification and were told that there will be new parking spaces along Cory Village circle close to the new dumpster location. The design team is reviewing the slope and how the stormwater is treated coming off the site toward Lake Alice. The design team is looking for opportunities for adding native plantings and recess plantings to help with some of the stormwater. The committee asked about the dumpsters and UF standards for screening. The design team stated they will look at the standards and make sure that it complies. The committee showed concern about the potential hazards with drivers backing out from the dumpsters. The committee wanted the design team to look at this area and outline a safe way for service trucks to come and go. The committee asked if the parents were consulted about the project. The administration sent out an email explaining the project and asked that the parents respond if they have questions or concerns.

**MOTION:** Paul Davenport moved to approve the project as presented and Hannah Vander Zanden amended the motion with the parking for employees to be at the dumpsters and the parent drop off and pick up spaces be as close to the building as possible. Rachel Levings seconded the motion. Motion passed with one opposition – Hannah Vander Zanden.

**INFORMATION:**

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:33pm.