April 25, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. R. Bowen Loftin
   President

SUBJECT: Recommendation from the Council of Built Environment: Installation of Concrete Bicycle Pad near Psychology Building

At its April 12, 2011 meeting, the Council of Built Environment reviewed the attached recommendations from the Design Review and Facilities Review Sub-Councils on a request from Transportation Services to install a concrete bike pad near the Psychology Building. Each of the 8-10 new Cora style racks is designed to hold 10 bikes and will match specifications that will be included in the May 2011 revision of the Facilities Design Guidelines. The racks also meet specifications found in the Association of Pedestrian and Bike Professionals publication "Bicycle Parking Guidelines". Transportation Services will be funding the project.

The Design Review Sub-Council (DRS) reviewed this request on March 23, 2011 and recognizes that this concrete pad installation would result in the loss of a small amount of green space but agrees that the new racks would improve the aesthetics and safety of the area. It was noted that the two clean outs should be set flush with the new concrete and the access lid to the electrical hand hole should be raised and replaced with a new lid or removed to prevent a trip hazard. The new concrete should have a positive slope away from the building and allow for thermal expansion and contraction. The DRS recommended approval and will also add this bicycle rack to the Campus Site Furnishings and Hardscape Standards document as the new University standard.

The Technical Review Sub-Council met with Peter Lange on March 21, 2011 to review this request. It was noted that Transportation will need to verify that no underground utilities exist in the area where they plan to pour the concrete. The sub-council recommended approval of this project with the condition that Transportation verifies that no underground utilities exist in the area where they plan to pour the concrete.

The CBE unanimously approved the request to install a concrete bicycle pad near the Psychology building and recommends approval of this project by the President with the noted conditions.

Karin L. Watson
Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
Co-Chair, Council of Built Environment

Rodney P. McClendon
Vice President for Administration
Co-Chair, Council of Built Environment

R. Bowen Loftin
President

Enclosure

cc: Members, Council of Built Environment
    Dr. Ludy Benjamin
    Mr. Peter Lange

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MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Rodney McClendon  
Vice President for Administration  
Co-Chairman - Council of Built Environment

From: Mr. Peter Lange  
Executive Director  
Transportation Services

Cc: Dr. Ludy T. Benjamin  
Professor and Head  
Department of Psychology – Texas A&M University

Subject: Request to install concrete bike pad near Psychology Building, # 463

The bicycle program for Texas A&M University was approved in October of 2009 and the program's first launch was last October within five defined areas. The plan has made our campus greener, friendlier and a safer community for cyclists, pedestrians and vehicle operators in these five areas. We would like to request to install a concrete pad for 8-10 new Cora style bike racks next to the Psychology Building, building #463. These Cora style bike racks match the specifications that will be included in the May 2011 revision of the Facilities Design Guidelines. Each rack is designed to hold 10 bikes and the pad should allow us the ability to install 8-10 racks at this location. This rack also meets the specifications set forth by the Association of Pedestrian and Bike Professionals publication Bicycle Parking Guidelines. The Bicycle Parking Guidelines are used by many universities and communities across the nation recognized as 'bike friendly' (http://www.bikeleague.org/ PROGRAMS/ bicyc lefriendlyamer ica/community scorecard/).

Transportation Services recognizes the Council's desire to maintain green space throughout the campus. This project would have some impact on the campus by utilizing a small section of grass but will aesthetically improve the area and increase customer satisfaction by providing designated racks for safely and securely storing bikes currently being parked haphazardly on sidewalks, against trees, on or near access ramps and against building walls.

Your favorable consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Karan Watson
    Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs
    Dr. Rodney McClendon
    Vice President for Administration

FROM: Prof. David Woodcock
      Chair, Design Review Sub-Council

DATE: April 7, 2011

RE: Design Review Sub-Council Report
    Concrete Bicycle Pad near Psychology Building

On March 23, 2011 the Design Review Sub-Council (DRS) reviewed via email a request from Transportation Services to install a concrete pad for 8-10 new Cora style bike racks next to the Psychology Building. The DRS recognizes that this concrete pad installation would result in the loss of a small amount of green space but agrees that the new racks would improve the aesthetics and safety of the area.

It was noted that the two clean outs should be set flush with the new concrete, and the access lid to the electrical hand hole should be raised and replaced with a new lid or removed to prevent a trip hazard. Additionally, the new concrete should have positive slope away from the building and allow for thermal expansion and contraction.

The DRS recommends approval, and will also add this particular bicycle rack to our Campus Site Furnishings and Hardscape Standards document as the new university standard.

Attachments

cc: Design Review Sub-Council Members
    Peter Lange, Transportation Services
    Jo Williams
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Karan Watson
    Provost and Executive Vice President

    Dr. Rodney McClendon
    Vice President for Administration

SUBJECT: Concrete bike pad near the Psychology Building

March 28, 2011

The following report is provided to the Council on Built Environment from the Technical Review Sub-Council regarding the above-mentioned project. The TRS members met with Mr. Peter Lang on March 21 and have responded to that presentation as shown below. The committee recommends approval if all concerns indicated below are satisfied.

Funding Implications
Transportation Services is funding the project, thus there are no further concerns from a finance perspective.

Transportation Services
No concerns.

Procurement Services
No concerns.

Facilities Services
No concerns.

Utilities & Energy Management
Transportation will need to verify that no underground utilities exist in the area where they plan to pour the concrete.
Security & University Police
No concerns.

EHS
No concerns. This project will improve safety.

CIS Networking
No concerns.

Telecommunications
No concerns.

Tom Reber
Chair, Technical Review Sub-Council
Associate Vice President for Student Affairs

Attachments:
Cc: Technical Review Sub-Council Members