August 1, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. R. Bowen Loftin
President

SUBJECT: Recommendation from the Council of Built Environment: renaming of Football Master Plan to Kyle Field District Plan

At the request of the Design Review Sub-Council (DRsc) Chairman David Woodcock, the CBE further discussed the Football Master Plan which was approved by the President on July 18, 2011. At the July 12th CBE meeting, the Design Review Sub-Council requested more time for review and discussion before making a recommendation; however, the DRsc did approve the Football Master Plan in concept.

On July 20, 2011, Kevin Hurley met with the DRsc to describe the plan, noting that the area would be aligned on an axis coming into Kyle Field. He noted the creation of an Aggie Experience Building and a new entry off George Bush Drive, and added that the plan does not affect KAMU. He further explained future Kyle Field safety improvements, including improved entry points. The existing John David Crow Boulevard would be enhanced for better usage and appearance.

DRsc members commented that this plan forms the same kind of thinking that was done for the Historic Core District Plan, which was appended to the Campus Master Plan. For purposes of compliance with the Campus Master Plan it would be more appropriately named as a district plan, recognizing that it applies to a geographic area, not a specific function. Members also commented on the football-specific language that is used even though many facilities in this area will be for all student athletes and for other members of the university community. It was recommended that the Football Master Plan be referred to as the Kyle Field District Plan. Mr. Woodcock stated that Kevin Hurley was supportive of this change.

The DRsc recommended approval of the Kyle Field District Plan as presented and looks forward to reviewing each building project as the plan is implemented. Members also commented on the need to record this and the other previously approved changes and modification to the 2004 Campus Master Plan together in one document for use by the university community.

CBE unanimously voted to approve the name change from Football Master Plan to Kyle Field District Plan and recommends approval by the President.

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