

2.5.1 A revised facilities plan for CASS and P3 projects.

Accomplishments to Date:

Center for Access and Student Success (CASS)

In February 2017, the Board approved the change in site location for Center for Access and Student Success (CASS) Building from McGuinn Diamond Hall site to the parking lot North of Gaither gymnasium. The University has selected an architect and engineering firm, along with a construction management company that will have the responsibilities for pre-construction services. Additionally, the University has signed a contract for construction audit services. The Facilities, Planning, Construction and Safety department has identified tasks and timelines to ensure final completion in 2019.

The project team has so far completed conceptual schematic design, advanced schematic design, and design development documents. The construction manager has reviewed each of these phases and provided an estimate of project construction cost. Ground breaking ceremony for this project was held on June 8, 2017. The project will be phased based on the current funding appropriated. Site and utility work will be part of phase 1 and is scheduled to commence in November 2017. Foundation and structure package will be part of phase 2 and will begin in April 2018, the rest of the building construction will be part of phase 3 and will be dependent on the future year appropriations.

Public Private Partnership (P3)

FAMU is exploring various financing options to address its housing challenges. One such option is the Public Private Partnership (P3) program. We envision a project, including:

- Development of Student Housing along the East Corridor
- Development of a Mixed Use-Town Center
- Development of an Athletics Complex

Initiatives Completed to date:

- Issuance of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to qualify partners
- Retain Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL) as the Owner's representative with P3 industry expertise
- Market study and housing demand studies
- Issuance of Invitation to Negotiate (ITN)
- Review proposals submitted in response to the "Intent to Negotiate" (ITN) for the Public Private Partnership (P3) Project
- Engage Owner's P3 consultant and utilize their expertise in reviewing the ITN documents

- Selection committee has been formed and is reviewing the proposals submitted in response to the “Intent to Negotiate” (ITN) for the Public Private Partnership (P3) project
- Owner’s P3 consultant has been engaged to utilize their expertise in reviewing the ITN documents and proposals received
- Procurement office has compiled a list of questions and clarifications to be shared with the responding partners, based on the reviews by the committee and the consultant
- President has approved the project development to date and has requested the selection committee to seek Best and Final Offer from the highest ranked firm
- Procurement office, Controller, and CFO met with Finance experts from UCF and USF to leverage their in-state expertise in financing
- A non-binding pre-development agreement has been drafted and will be shared with the private partner to allow them to seek financial information from the financing institutions.