Campus Master Plan Update
Transportation Open Session with Faculty and Staff
2/2/11, Afternoon Session

Present: 11 were present at the afternoon session

The following are notes taken from the meeting.

Each participant was asked to share how they came to campus, were they parked, how they moved around campus once here, and any other information they were willing to share.

- Works in JCK, drives own vehicle to campus via Hopkins, drives to Student Center for meetings during the day
- Married, drive and ride together, park by Sterry Hall and walk to buildings, do not park at JCK because of back parking lot
- Uses university vehicle for job, lives two miles from his office, lives out RR12 and no close bus stop, prefer walking over riding bus
- Lives in South Austin, drives in every day, arrives 6:45 am, leaves between 3:30 and 5 pm, considered South Austin bus but it does not run as early as needed, park behind Student Center or in Matthews Garage, do not leave for lunch, typically take Aquarena unless a train
- Work in JCK Building, lives in San Marcos toward New Braunfels, drives to work, parks at JCK, goes home for lunch every day, takes Hunter Road/Hopkins, leaves JCK before 5 or 5:30 p.m. or can’t get out anyway
- Ride a bus from South Austin, ride bike six miles to bus stop, or will ride a bike to San Marcos (24 miles = one hour)
- Bike, walk, bus, car, different ways depending on weather, with wife who also works on campus
- Live southwest of campus Hunter/Hopkins, park at JCK, occasionally commutes with daughter, do not move car during the day while class is in session
- Commute from Austin, drive and park, park in Matthews Garage, work in the Student Center
- Work in Student Center, commute from New Braunfels, park in Alkek, has a reserved space, quite a few meetings and hard to find spaces, will walk to meetings

What have you witnessed over the last five years since the master plan was approved?

- A lot more crowded
- Notice more people walking or riding
- For a couple weeks more cars, but then tapers off
- Traffic congestion
- A lot more apartments
- Less traffic in summer, less students
- Have to be on campus between 7 and 7:30 beginning of school first week, no tickets issued first week
- Went for parallel to diagonal which narrowed the lanes and made more difficult to maneuver

What could be done to make it easier?

- Additional security for cars in parking lots
- pedestrian crosswalks and lighting
- Biking is difficult on campus
- Skateboarding – there’s a danger to it, would be ok if it was made safer for them
- OK with having bikes and boards because it takes cars off streets
“It’s about options and convenience, “and “having choices.”