



UNIVERSITY MASTER PLANNING COMMITTEE

UMPC Meeting
October 9, 2017
Harris Engineering Building, Room 450
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Approve minutes from September 18, 2017, UMPC meeting.
2. UMPC Request #1: Student Union community garden.
3. Other business.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. William F. Merck, II, Vice President
Administration and Finance

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THROUGH: Ms. Lee Kernek, Associate Vice President
Facilities and Safety *see notes*

FROM: Rick Falco, Director Student Union

DATE: 10/2/17

SUBJECT: University Master Planning Commission (UMPC) Review
Student Union Community Gardens

IMPACT	COMMENTS
Project	Add community gardens at the Student Union
Site	West side of Student Union along Aquarius Agora Drive
Environmental	N/A
Utilities	Cap reclaimed irrigation and use nearby hose bib for potable water irrigation
Master Plan	N/A
Standards	N/A
Security	N/A

The Student Union is requesting approval for the installation of community gardens on the west side of the facility along Aquarius Agora Drive. This is a partnership with Fleet Farming (www.fleetfarming.org) and a supplement to the existing community garden program in the UCF Arboretum. The Student Union and Student Government Association will cover all costs associated with this installation and will also coordinate the upkeep of the community gardens. If, for any reason, the gardens need to be removed at a later date, the Student Union will also cover all costs to replace irrigation and sod in the area.

This request is in response to the Student Government Senate Resolution 49-11 which passed Senate unanimously and requested more healthy food options on campus. The availability of fresh, hyper-local produce from the community gardens will give students another healthy choice and will also promote long-term interest in gardening and sustainability. The produce will be distributed to volunteers that cultivate the gardens as well as through Knights Pantry to students in need and tabling at the Student Union.