

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
UDC RESOLUTION NO. 2023 - 31**

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (UDC) VAN NESS CAMPUS MASTER PLAN 2021 - 2030

WHEREAS, pursuant to D.C. Official Code §6-641.01, the District of Columbia (District) requires colleges and universities to prepare and submit a Campus Master Plan at least every ten (10) years to the Zoning Commission for approval; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 11-X DCMR §101, the District regulates campus plans to ensure that educational campuses are well-planned and designed, have long-term facilities plans, minimize negative impacts on surrounding communities and have planning processes that are consistent and transparent; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia, in Resolution 2020-53, approved the Van Ness Campus Master Plan 2021 - 2030; and

WHEREAS, the University has prepared an amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan to allow for the demolition of Building 41 for the purpose of building a new DC Archives facility on that site in accordance with the District of Columbia Zoning Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the current plans require the complete demolition of Building 41 and the amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan incorporates the demolition of Building 41 in order to support the construction of the new DC Archives building; and

WHEREAS, the President recommends approval of the amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan to allow for the demolition of Building 41 and for submission to the District of Columbia Zoning Commission in compliance with 11-X DCMR §101.

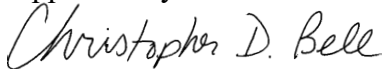
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the University of the District of Columbia approves the amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan to allow for the demolition of Building 41 and for submission to the District of Columbia Zoning Commission.

Submitted by the Operations Committee:

May 25, 2023

Approved by the Board of Trustees:

June 8, 2023



Christopher D. Bell
Chairperson of the Board

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees - Operations Committee

FROM: David A. Franklin, Chief Operating Officer *David A. Franklin*

DATE: June 8, 2023

SUBJECT: Executive Summary – Amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan

Summary

The University entered into an agreement with the Office of the Secretary of the District (OS) in 2018 to allow for the study of the feasibility of relocating the DC Archives facility to the Van Ness Campus at the site of Building 41. It has been concluded that the Van Ness Campus is the best site for the consolidation of the Archives, and concept design plans have been developed and presented to the University. The current plans require the complete demolition of the current building. The approved 2020 UDC Campus Plan identified Building 41 as a possible future site for a consolidated DC Archives facility. The plan specified that the building would be renovated or repurposed but did not include the possibility of demolishing the existing building. It is the University's understanding that the campus master plan needs to be amended to reflect this change.

Fiscal Impact Statement

TO: The Board of Trustees
FROM: Managing Director of Finance *David A. Franklin*
DATE: June 8, 2023
SUBJECT: FIS - Amendment to the Van Ness Campus Master Plan

Conclusion

It has been concluded that the University's 10-year Campus Master Plan for 2020 thru 2029 has been approved by the District of Columbia Zoning Commission for approval in accordance with Section 210 of the Zoning Regulations. The University is submitting a revision to the Campus Master Plan to incorporate the demolition of Building 41 in order to repurpose the site for the construction of the new DC Archives building. The submission and approval of the revised 10-year Campus Master Plan will not have a negative financial impact to the University.

Background

The University prepared the Van Ness Campus Master Plan 2020 – 2029 in accordance with the District of Columbia Zoning Regulations, which require colleges and universities in residential zone districts to submit a plan for developing the campus as a whole. The approved 2020 UDC Campus Plan identified Building 41 as a possible future site for a consolidated DC Archives facility. The plan specified that the building would be renovated or repurposed but did not include the possibility of demolishing the existing building. The current concept design for the new DC Archives requires demolition of the building, and it is the University's understanding that the Campus Master Plan needs to be amended to reflect this change.

Fiscal Impact

As the University continues to raise the quality of support provided to our students, faculty, staff, and District residents, the relocation of the DC Archives to the Building 41 site is an opportunity for the university to further showcase the mission with a new state of the art facility on the main campus. The building will also include spaces for the University's Archive collections and will also allow students and staff to take advantage of the vast resources within the District's records. The revision to the current Van Ness Campus Master Plan will supplement the approval of the DC Archives relocation to the Building 41 site. There will be no negative impact on current and future operations on the campus.

The request is approved based on the information provided.