

**DRAFT 1**

**Minutes – Special Meeting to Discuss Smith Plaza / Union Square Renovations**

Monday, February 27, 2017

Noon to 1:30pm

GSM Building (Parish Library), Room 226

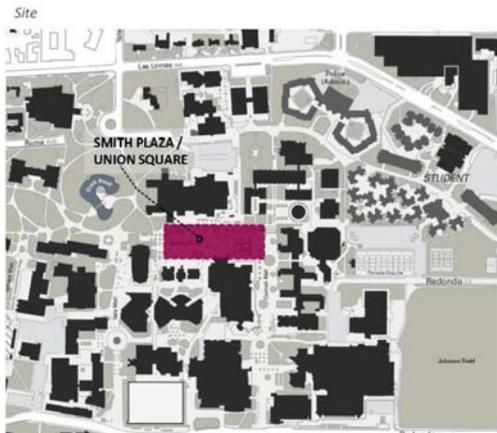
***Attendees: (taken from sign-in sheet – for those who signed in)***

Steven Alan Yourstone	Anderson School of Management
Roger Schluntz	Professor School of Architecture & Planning
Amy Coburn	University Architect
Lisa Marbury	UNM Institutional Support Services
Amber Straquadine	Capital Projects Office
Walter Miller	New Mexico Union
Dennis Dunn	University Secretary’s Office

**Meeting called to order – 12:00pm by Steven Alan Yourstone**

This meeting was called to discuss the Smith Plaza/Union Square Renovations. Due to low attendance, a second meeting on this issue will be scheduled for a later date.

Amber Straquadine, Capital Projects Office, used a Power Point presentation to give the committee an overview of the entire project including size, cost and a project time line.



The renovation of Smith Plaza aims to create an outdoor "great room" that promotes the University of New Mexico as a Destination University.

The new Smith Plaza will accommodate the diverse University community by promoting a balance of academic and social activities and providing flexibility to allow for small and large gatherings that will encourage student engagement and connectivity.

- Area: 3.3 acres
- Budget: \$ 3,000,000
- Funding Sources: 2016 and 2017 Institutional Bonds



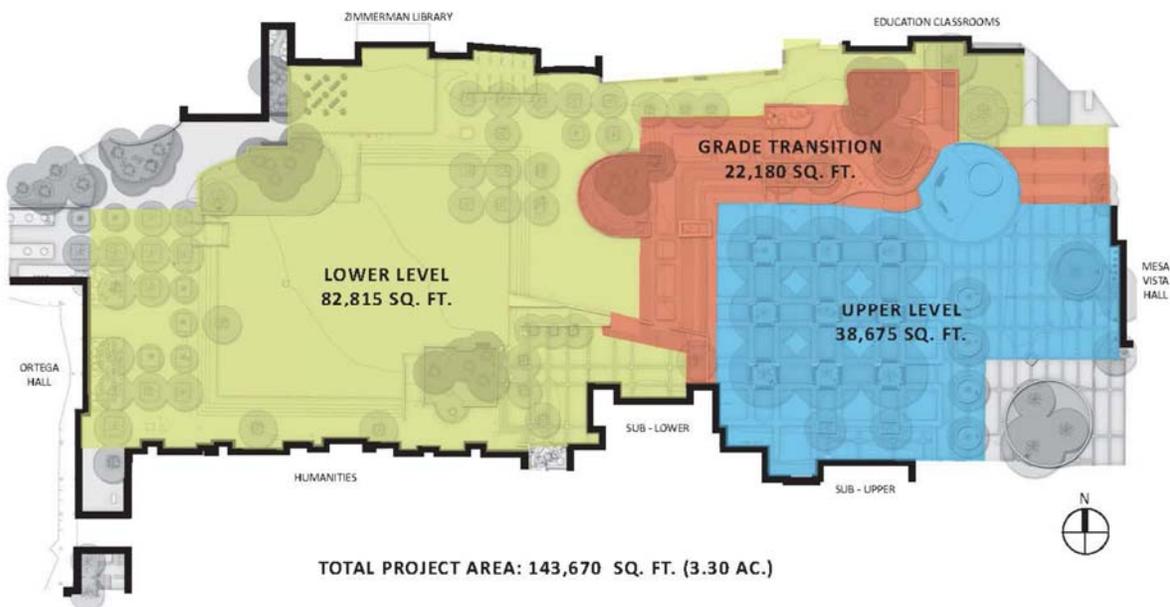
**The Issues:**

- Skateboarders. A discussion was held regarding skateboarders on campus and, in particular, how the current Smith Plaza has become an unauthorized skateboard park. The new design should discourage skateboarders.

- Stakeholders groups from across the UNM campus have become involved in this project. They include Student Affairs, Accessibility Resources and Student Activities.
- The first round of Project Workshops was held a week and a half ago. Comments on this project will be accepted until March 10, 2017. The next round of workshops will be held on April 5 & 6, 2017. CDAC will be given updates following these two dates.
- Construction on this project will begin in the Fall of 2017.

**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>
Programming	6 Weeks	1/18 –3/8
Stakeholder Workshops #1	2 Days	2/ 16 –2/17
Schematic Design	6 Weeks	3/9 –4/19
Stakeholder Workshops #2	2 Days	4/5 –4/6
Design Development (50% CDs)	6 Weeks	5/4 –6/14
Construction Documents (100% CDs)	6 Weeks	6/2 –7/26
Construction Procurement (RFP)	10 Weeks	7/27-10/5
Construction	27 Weeks	10/6 –4/16



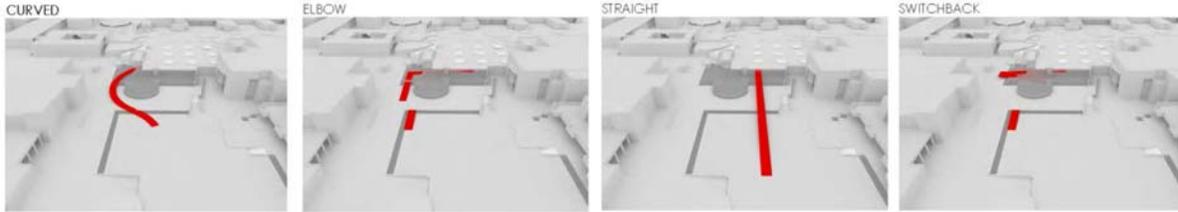
**Design Team:**

- MRWM Landscape Architect, Albuquerque, NM
- SURFACEDESIGN, Inc., San Francisco, CA
- McClain & Yu Architecture & Design, Albuquerque, NM
- High Mesa Consulting Group, Albuquerque, NM

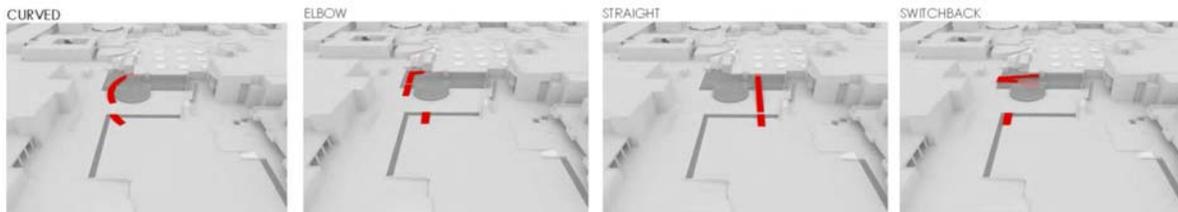
**The Ramps:**

- Various ramp designs are being considered for this project. The proposed ramps are illustrated in **Red**.

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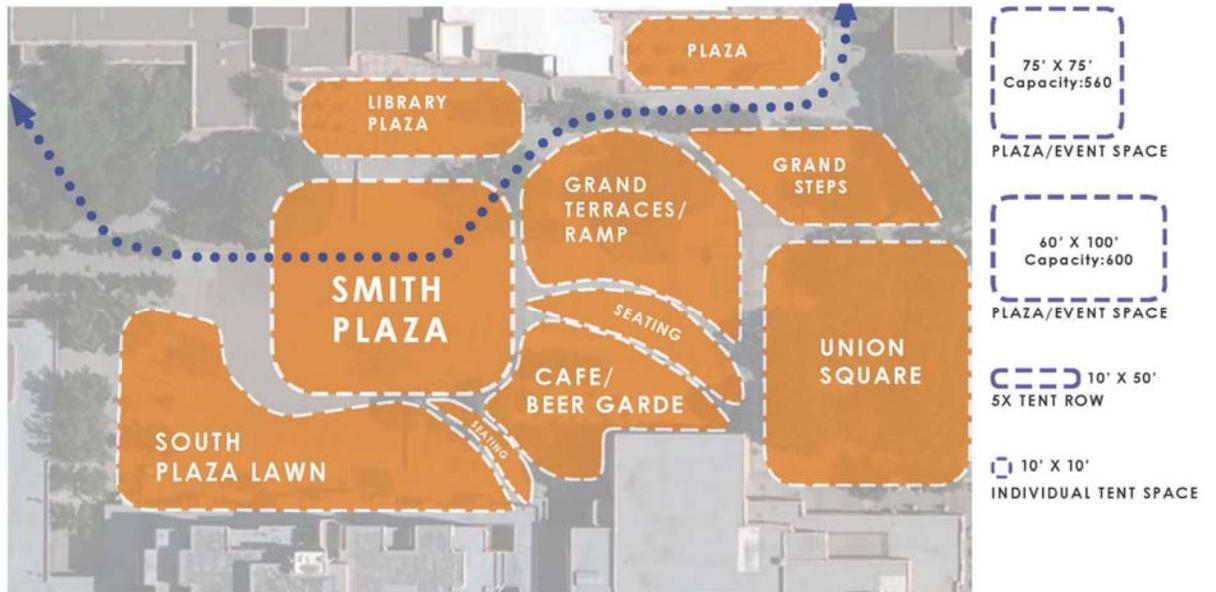


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**Event Space:**

- Designs have been proposed on how to utilize Smith Plaza and Union Square for various events to be held in the redesigned space. A Lounge Lawn will be installed and a Café/Beer Garden will open at the entrance to the SUB. The dotted **blue** line represents the flow of foot traffic during events. Tents would be set up along this line during events.





## Campus Development Advisory Committee – CDAC

### **Additional Information:**

- The original design of Smith Plaza and Union Square was established in 1971.
- Information on this project is being distributed campus wide through social media.

### **Other Business:**

- The ART Project on Central Avenue:
  - The city has agreed to leave all trees in place along Central Avenue, except for two. Additional trees may be planted at a later time.
  - Parking issues in Lot A are still being discussed.
- Johnson Center:
  - The master plan is almost complete.
  - Amy requested a CDAC meeting be set aside for discussing Johnson Center.
- Amy suggested, due to low attendance, that any Power Point presentation used in CDAC meetings be emailed to committee members and request that member's comments be emailed back.
- Steven will report to the Faculty Senate on CDAC projects March 28, 2017. His report will include the ART Project, parking issues and current construction on campus.

**Next Meeting:** Friday March 24, 2017. 10:00am – 11:30am. TECH 220.

**Adjourned:** 12:30 pm.