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RE: 2017-18 Housing Master Plan Advisory Group

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for agreeing to serve on the 2017-18 Housing Master Plan Advisory Group. Safe, affordable, and convenient housing is critical to the academic, professional and personal pursuits of all members of the Berkeley campus. The lack of adequate housing is a crisis facing our campus. Pursuant to the critical nature of this campus-wide issue, this advisory group is charged with addressing this multifaceted and important issue by building on the work of the 2016-17 Housing Master Plan Task Force which was convened in the Fall of 2016.

The work of this advisory group should entail the following:

1. Review and analyze the findings in the housing survey completed in Spring 2017 and use these results to inform recommendations for future planning for housing.
2. Review feasibility studies for each potential housing development site in order to prioritize the site locations and determine an appropriate approach for planning and development.
3. Collaborate with the Office of the CFO to develop a potential financial plan for each prioritized site.
4. Work closely with Real Estate and Campus Planning to update the Long-Range Development Plan (LRDP), including any environmental review for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
5. Determine specific points of collaboration with the City of Berkeley that will be mutually beneficial.
6. Collaborate with the Office of the President on sequencing and determining funding for the prioritized plan.

7. Create a housing development timeline.

Jill Rodde, from the Division of Student Affairs, will provide staff support to the committee. She will be in contact soon to schedule the kick-off meeting which will take place in August and be followed by twice-monthly meetings.

Please submit a status report and a preliminary set of recommendations by December 15, 2017 and a final set of recommendations by May 15, 2018 for my review and determination of next steps. I look forward to receiving your thoughtful advice on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Carol T. Christ
Interim Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost
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