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**Subject: SOM Education Building II Community Meeting #2
 Responses to Questions and Comments**

Thank you for your interest in the proposed University of California, Riverside (UCR) School of Medicine Education Building II (SoM Ed. II) Project (proposed Project). The following table summarizes questions or comments raised prior to or during the SOM Ed. II Community Meeting #2 and provides brief responses for those questions/comments raised specifically for the proposed Project. Should you have further questions/comments, please submit them to planning@ucr.edu. Thank you.

Summary of Questions/Comments	Responses
<p>Why is the proposed School of Medicine Education Building II project being sited at this location when the 2005 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) proposed the School of Medicine to be proposed on West Campus? Why is there a different direction now? This site does not seem appropriate when thinking about the future growth of the campus.</p>	<p>Since the adoption of the 2005 Long Range Development Plan and its subsequent update in 2011, the projections of programmatic expansion of the SoM have reduced significantly. The University is formalizing a newer physical planning vision wherein the majority of West Campus land will continue to be used to support the university’s land-based research activities. The campus’ projected expansion, including SoM, would then occur on East Campus, supporting the emphasis the University has placed on increasing campus density and a commitment to the stewardship of its finite land resources.</p> <p>Furthermore, the proposed SoM Ed. II site is consistent with the 2005 LRDP Amendment 2 land use designation of “Academic.” This site was selected for its proximity to the other SoM facilities, including the SoM Education Building I, the SoM Research Building, and Orbach Science Library (future SoM spaces are planned within the library). Thus, this clustering of the SoM program has been ongoing in this area and is the most appropriate location for the proposed Project. The building will house classrooms, instruction space, student support, and office space.</p> <p>There will be no public medical services offered in the building as it will not be designed for this purpose. The SoM will continue to provide clinical skills and other training in a distributed manner throughout medical centers and hospitals in Inland Southern California.</p>

<p>The community engagement process was established when the Campus was mostly following the design, bid, build procurement. UCR has transitioned to primarily design build procurement. Can the Campus provide a better understanding on how participation fits within this delivery method and how any neighborhood concerns can be incorporated early into the project?</p>	<p>UCR is committed to the established community engagement process and refining it as appropriate to ensure that the community has an opportunity to weigh in on project design as contemplated by the Smart Neighbors for Smart Growth (SNSG) Settlement Agreement. The process allows the community to provide public input on the project design proposed by the University that will be subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). During a Design Build procurement, community meetings are held during the development of the Basis of Design, which provides the technical and design parameters for the project. This gives the community the opportunity to provide feedback on these technical and design parameters that will in turn serve as the basis for the Design Build team competitions.</p>
<p>How will the Campus ensure that design elements related to suicide prevention are incorporated into the design and not only related to code compliance?</p>	<p>The proposed Project would be a secured facility with no public access to the rooftop areas. The proposed SoM Ed. II building will be designed and constructed in compliance with all applicable codes that require the health and safety of all occupants. The Campus Building Official and Campus Fire Marshal are required to review the proposed plans for compliance with applicable codes, including and regulations prior to the issuance of a building permit.</p>
<p>Can the Campus provide a specific reference to exterior lighting standards? LED lighting and lighting temperatures of 5000k or more are proven to be bad for human health and wildlife.</p>	<p>The following language has been included in the Basis of Design regarding exterior illumination:</p> <p>UCR standard pole-mounted, LED lighting fixtures and poles shall be used along pathways and sidewalks for safety and security purposes. Exterior up lighting shall not be used, and accent lighting shall be coordinated and approved by the University.</p> <p>Exterior lighting for the SoM Ed. II project is limited to pathway/plaza lighting and accent lighting--both of which will range in color temperature from 3000K to 4000K.</p> <p>Refer to the Campus Standards for exterior lighting types and specifications - https://pdc.ucr.edu/media/121/download.</p>