

To: City of Madison Plan Commission Members

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Introduction

Since its formation in 1996, the Edgewood Neighborhood Liaison Committee has worked toward its stated goal to facilitate cooperative working relationships between the Edgewood Schools and their surrounding neighborhoods. Since 1996, the Liaison Committee has been successful in reaching consensus on building projects that have come before the Plan Commission.

Despite a large commitment of time and effort, the Liaison Committee has not achieved consensus regarding Edgewood's Conditional Use Application for a new residence hall for the southeast quadrant of campus. Although there is a the lack of consensus for this building project, the Liaison Committee members have identified the following items of agreement regarding Edgewood's response to neighborhood issues in the event that this CUP permit is granted to Edgewood.

These agreements are intended to be incorporated into the approval of the Conditional Use Permit.

Issue: Size and proximity

- Edgewood is willing to agree to remove the two small residence halls depicted on the Master Plan to the east of Marshall Hall
- Edgewood is willing to agree that any construction north-east of Marshall and parallel to Edgewood Avenue would be for non-residential use.

Issue: Traffic and parking

- The Liaison Committee opposes a traffic light at the intersection of Edgewood Avenue and Monroe Street.
- The Liaison Committee asks that the City Engineer's recommendation that Edgewood dedicate right of way to align Edgewood Avenue at Monroe Street be removed.
- If the Marshall parking lot is expanded, Edgewood is willing to construct a gate or gates to prohibit pedestrian and vehicular entry to the Edgewood campus from all access points from Edgewood Avenue between the hours of 11:00 pm and 5:00 am, 7 days a week. This concession by Edgewood is designed to directly address concerns raised by the neighborhood representatives concerning late night traffic entering the campus via Edgewood Avenue. The exiting mechanism will be configured to allow only designated users to exit.
- Edgewood is willing to agree to reserve and dedicate land for a round-about on Edgewood Ave.

- Edgewood is willing to agree to work with our neighbors to encourage the city toward the construction of a round-about on the intersection of Jefferson and Edgewood Ave as early as possible.
- Edgewood submitted a traffic study demonstrating that an increase in students living on campus will result in a decrease in trips to campus.
- Edgewood is willing to agree to submit an updated plan covering the transportation elements of the Master Plan to include parking, parking management, traffic circulation and modal choices.
- If the expanded Marshall parking lot is approved, Edgewood is willing to agree to limit the users of the expanded lot to employees. This is our preferred plan as it will put more student parking at the center of campus and employee parking on the perimeter.
- If the Marshall parking lot is not expanded, Edgewood is willing to agree to expand the shuttle program to minimize the impact of students parking on the neighborhood residential streets.
- Edgewood is willing to agree to continue the purchase of Madison Metro passes (currently \$33,000.) to encourage students, faculty and staff to ride the bus for free.
- Edgewood is willing to agree to continue to encourage parking management strategies such as the recent creation of a moped lot and higher profile biking initiatives
- Edgewood recently approved a small grant to be implemented in FY 06 - 07 to explore alternate transportation models.

Issue: Impact of growth

- Edgewood is willing to agree to develop and implement a policy by receipt of the certificate of occupancy for the new residence hall, requiring full-time, traditional-aged undergraduate students who are not living with relatives to live on campus for their first 2 years.
- The College will not use houses in the neighborhood to house traditional undergraduate students.
- Edgewood is willing to agree not to turn currently-owned properties into student housing.
- Edgewood will implement a policy that makes it clear that they do not endorse students illegally occupying houses. Edgewood will work actively to inform parents and students of this policy.
- When the residence hall is built, Edgewood will work cooperatively with neighbors to promptly address any issues raised in conjunction with the operation of the residence hall.
- Edgewood agrees to enter into a process that will result in meaningful updates to the current Master Plan that will address the long-term future of the campus before undertaking new projects not currently in the Master Plan. The exception to this is the expansion of the dining hall and other elements currently in the Master Plan.

Thank you for your consideration of agreements listed in this document.
Edgewood Neighborhood Liaison Committee Members