AGENDA # 8

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PRESENTED: February 22, 2006

TITLE: 1000 Edgewood College Drive, Residence **REFERRED:**

Hall – Conditional Use. 10th Ald. Dist. **REREFERRED:**

(03003)

REPORTED BACK:

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DATED: February 22, 2006 **ID NUMBER:**

Members present were: Paul Wagner, Chair; Ald. Noel Radomski, Cathleen Feland, Lisa Geer, Lou Host-Jablonski, Michael Barrett, Todd Barnett, Bruce Woods, Robert March.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of February 22, 2006, the Urban Design Commission **RECEIVED AN INFORMATIONAL PRESENATATION** on a conditional use for a residence hall located at 1000 Edgewood College Drive. Appearing on behalf of the project were Dough Hursh, Christopher Thiel and Jody Shaw. The project under consideration provides for the development of a 198 bed residence hall in the southeastern corner of the 55 acre Edgewood Campus. The new residence hall is 3-4 stories in height with exposure of the fourth-story elevation of the building on its south side facing Lake Wingra. The structure is approximately 78,500 square feet in size. The development of the residence hall is sustained within the Edgewood Campus Master Plan approved by the City of Madison Plan Commission in 1996. Staff noted to the Commission that review of the project by the Urban Design Commission is not required by ordinance. The applicant has volunteered for recommendation on the project by the Commission based on input by the area's Ald. Ken Golden. Following a presentation on the architecture, site and landscape plan details, the Commission expressed concerns on the following:

- Look at bike parking relative to the courtyard. Relocate some stalls outside of the building envelope to free up greenspace in the courtyard.
- Adjust proposed landscaping at the entry to provide additional area for alternative bike parking.

The Commission generally felt that the proposed dormitory facility provided a good fit within the overall Edgewood Campus, as well as an architecturally compatible structure in context with the overall campus.

ACTION:

Since this was an **INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION**, no action was taken by the Commission.

After the Commission acts on an application, individual Commissioners rate the overall design on a scale of 1 to 10, including any changes required by the Commission. The ratings are for information only. They are not used to decide whether the project should be approved. The scale is 1 = complete failure; 2 = critically bad; 3 = very poor; 4 = poor; 5 = fair; 6 = good; 7 = very good; 8 = excellent; 9 = superior; and 10 = outstanding. The overall ratings for this project are 7, 8, 8.6, 9 and 9.5.

URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PROJECT RATING FOR: 1000 Edgewood College Drive

	Site Plan	Architecture	Landscape Plan	Site Amenities, Lighting, Etc.	Signs	Circulation (Pedestrian, Vehicular)	Urban Context	Overall Rating
Member Ratings	-	1	1	1	1	-	ı	7
	9	8.6	-	-	-	-	8	8.6
	8	9	10	-	-	9	10	9.5
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
	8	8	8	7	-	-	7	8

General Comments:

- Very nice project. Fits in with the landscape and other buildings.
- Nice start. Nice project.
- Fine, timeless design that preserves trees and integrates very well with other buildings, topo, and circulation.
- Great project. Nice architecture. Building nicely integrated on site with respect to site slope and existing trees.
- Tree protection plan during construction. Looks like grading and stormwater have been addressed well.
- With all due respect to the neighborhood, this is an excellent project. Great architecture. Wonderful enhancement of the ecology. Minimal shift of staff parking. Plan Commission should view this as a positive change for the campus and the neighborhood.
- Nice building timeless! Why the ever expanding parking lots?