UF UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

MINUTES
University Lakes, Vegetation and Landscape Committee
August 6, 2026, 9:00 AM
Planning, Design & Construction Division, 245 Gale Lemerand Drive

Members attending:
Adam Dale – Assistant Professor, Entomology and Nematology Department – Chair
Angie Price – Marsten Science Libraries
Bruce Daley – Assistant Vice President, Planning, Design & Construction
Latrell Simmons – UFPD, Major, Support Services Division & Community Service Division
Nancy Chrystal-Green – Assistant Vice President, Student Engagement
Ryan Vaughn – Interim City Arborist, City of Gainesville

Members not attending:
Asena Goren – Post Doctoral Associate
Brandi Renton – Vice President of Business Affairs
Colt Little – Vice President for Construction, Facilities, and Real Estate
Cydney McGlothlin – University Architect, Planning, Design & Construction
Gail Hansen De Chapman – Environmental Horticulture
Gerardo Nunez – Assistant Professor, Horticultural Services
Grace John – Assistant Professor, Biology
Gregg Clarke – Director of Operations, Facilities Services
Jason Kruse – Associate Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Jordan Benton – Assistant Director of Business Operations, Facility Services
Kevin Korus – IFAS
Lisa Strange – Extension Agent II
Monika Oli – Master Lecturer, Microbiology and Cell Science
Richard Dolson – Student
Ryan Klein – Assistant Professor, Environmental Horticulture
Tom Schlick – Assistant Director of Grounds, Facilities Services

Visitors attending:
Adam Hall – EDA
Charles Kammin – Utilities & Energy Services
Daniel Young – NV5
Heather Rohrer – Planning, Design & Construction
Josh Schenk – Esponda Associates
Kaley Dunlap-Rice – Floravie Design
Kevin Sowers – Business Affairs
Kyle Epstein – Epstein and Associates
Laura Scott – Planning, Design & Construction
Laurie Hall – NV5
Mark Helms – Facilities Services
Oksana Figuera – Planning, Design & Construction
Quentin Humeau – EDA
Robert Drumheller – Operations
Steve Caron – Planning, Design & Construction
Steven Kahle – SKA Studio
Taylor Mott Elton, Facilities Services

I. Adoption of Agenda and Minutes

Motion: Nancy Chrystal-Green made a motion to adopt the agenda and approve the minutes.

Motion carried by acclamation.

II. MAJOR PROJECTS

None

III. MINOR PROJECTS

MP09842-0431-FRATERNITY-ALPHA EPSILON PI-ADDITION

- Steve Caron, Steven Kahle and Adam Hall presented a 3,000-square-foot dining room addition to the Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity which will relocate a basketball court.
- Trees impacted: 16, 1 heritage tree.
- Replacement trees: 5
- Mitigation fee: $8,000.
- The team is working with UF and the St. Johns Water Management District to ensure renovation does not cause flooding or impact adjacent properties.
- The project includes ground covers and shrubs from the campus palette.
- The fence line will be moved to match the property line.
- The committee discussed tree removal, landscaping, service drive access, and storm water management.

Motion: Nancy Chrystal-Greene motioned to forward the project to the VP for Construction, Facilities and Real Estate with a recommendation to approve as presented.

Motion carried by acclamation.

UF-702B - Stadium/Fletcher Drive Utilities Replacement

- Taylor and Daniel presented this project which is a subset of the UF-702 project.
- It will replace aging utilities and support the future Hamilton Center and stadium.
- Trees impacted: 5, 1 heritage tree.
- The age and extent of utilities to be replaced means there may be additional tree impacts so there will be a certified arborist on the project.
- Subsequent landscaping will be part of the larger UF-702 project.
- The committee discussed utility placement and sidewalk impact.

The project was presented as information only. No motion required.

MP09591 Human Development Center - HSC Baby Gator

- Greg and Laurie presented the Baby Gator playground renovation.
- The project removes a retaining wall and creates more functional play areas and improved ADA compliance.
- Shade trees will be provided where possible.

- Trees impacted: 3, 0 heritage
- Mitigation trees: 4
- The committee discussed landscaping and play areas.

Motion: Nancy Chrystal-Greene motioned to forward the project to the VP for Construction, Facilities and Real Estate with a recommendation to approve as presented.

Motion carried by acclamation.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Landscaping & Natural Resource Projects

- There was no report this month.
- The committee asked that this report be presented more frequently as there has not been a report for two consecutive months.

Tree Mitigation Policy

- The committee discussed the need to review the tree mitigation policy for clarity regarding native and non-native species.

V. Chair's Report Adam Dale

- Adam noted that committee membership updates are pending.

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 am.