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Introduction

This is the latest in a series of updates to the Los Angeles Valley College Facility Master Plan. The purpose of this update to the Facility Master Plan (hereinafter referred to as the 2020 Master Plan Update) is to:

- Coordinate facilities with programming and enrollment needs;
- Optimize building utilization and capacity load ratios and maximize student engagement; and
- Balance planning with funding availability.

The 2020 Master Plan Update involves construction of two new, state-of-the-art, multi-disciplinary, academic buildings; improvements to campus infrastructure; and demolition of numerous old and/or obsolete buildings. Overall, the campus building square footage would increase nominally (by 3,624 square feet) as compared to previously approved plans, but the changes will make the campus more efficient.

The proposed changes will not have any direct effect on campus enrollment or employment.

Background

A Facility Master Plan was adopted for Los Angeles Valley College in 2003. The Facility Master Plan was subsequently revised in 2005, 2006, 2010, and 2015. Analysis under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) was completed for each of these iterations: 2003 Environmental Impact Report (EIR), 2005 Addendum, 2006 Addendum, 2010 Addendum, and 2015 Addendum.

2020 Master Plan Update

As noted above, the 2020 Master Plan Update includes the following changes (also shown in Table 1):

- Academic Complex No. 1: Construction and operation of an 80,769 square-foot, multi-disciplinary, three-story Academic Complex in the south-central part of the campus.
- Academic Building No. 2: Construction and operation of a 59,091 square-foot, multi-disciplinary, up to three-story Academic Building in the northwest part of campus.
- Demolition of the following existing facilities: Foreign Language (16,130 sf), Engineering (24,145 sf), Emergency Services Training (20,660 sf), Business & Journalism (22,590 sf), Math & Science (19,611 sf), Behavioral Sciences (13,700 sf), and Humanities (19,400 sf). In all, 136,236 square-feet of existing buildings will be demolished.
- Modernization of campus infrastructure, including improvements regarding the ADA access, storm water, emergency lighting, fire alarms, security, and the Central Plant.

No other revisions to the Master Plan are proposed. The 2020 Master Plan Update does not affect previously-projected campus enrollment or employment.

Table 1 shows the change in facility square footage. Exhibits 1 and 2 show maps of: (1) the existing Master Plan, and (2) the proposed Master Plan after the proposed changes are implemented.

**TABLE 1
2020 FACILITY MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROJECTS**

TABLE 1: SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES		
Facility	Existing Facility Master Plan Update	2020 Facility Master Plan Update
	Existing / Previously Approved GSF	Proposed GSF
NEW FACILITIES		
Academic Complex No. 1	---	80,769
Academic Building No. 2	---	59,091
Total New GSF Proposed		139,860
DEMOLISHED FACILITIES		
Foreign Language	16,130	-16,130
Engineering	24,145	-24,145
Emergency Services Training	20,660	-20,660
Business & Journalism	22,590	-22,590
Math & Science	19,611	-19,611
Behavioral Sciences	13,700	-13,700
Humanities	19,400	-19,400
Total New		139,860
Total Removed		-136,236
TOTAL		3,624

Exhibit 1: Existing Master Plan Campus Map



Exhibit 2: Proposed 2020 Master Plan Update Campus Map



The proposed new buildings would be consistent with the LACCD Sustainability Standards. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED™) is a green building rating system that contains prerequisites and credits in five areas: (1) environmentally sensitive site planning; (2) water conservation; (3) energy efficiency; (4) conservation of materials and resources; and (5) indoor air quality. LACCD intends that new buildings and major renovations be minimally LEED “certified.”

Enrollment

The 2020 Master Plan Update does not propose any changes to enrollment. Further, the changes to campus buildings will not affect student enrollment capacity.

Pedestrian Circulation/Accessibility

The 2020 Master Plan Update will not affect vehicular circulation within the campus or parking. Pedestrian access to the campus would also remain the same. Fire and police department access is provided to the campus from surrounding roadways and pathways would not be negatively affected by the 2020 Master Plan Update.

Exterior Lighting

Exterior lighting will be provided to illuminate entrances and provide adequate lighting to enhance pedestrian wayfinding, circulation, and security. Lighting will be designed to fit the architecture of the area, will be compatible with the existing night lighting of adjacent uses, and will incorporate cut-off features to reduce light trespass.

Utilities

The proposed new buildings will connect to existing utilities within and adjacent to the campus, including water (domestic and irrigation), chilled water, sewer, storm drains and water quality treatment facilities, electric, natural gas, and telecommunications. No new or expanded off-site utility infrastructure is required to serve the proposed new buildings.

Summary

The 2020 Master Plan Update includes the construction and demolition of multiple older buildings and improvements to infrastructure and building systems. No other changes are proposed by the 2020 Master Plan Update.