



Memorandum

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TO: Members of Senate

FROM: Jim Nicell, Associate Vice-Principal (University Services)

SUBJECT: University Master Plan – Planning and Design Principles

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FOR: DECISION DISCUSSION INFORMATION

ISSUE:

Presentation of the University Master Plan – Planning and Design Principles Report, originally presented to Senate in spring 2007 and recommended by the Board's Building and Property Committee for Board approval in spring 2008.

BACKGROUND:

In the spring of 2006, it was decided that the University Master Plan should be composed of separate documents including:

- The Planning and Design Principles Report: This document will enunciate the principles and the accompanying planning objectives, which will guide the physical development of the McGill campuses for the foreseeable future.
- The Demonstration Plan: This document will consist of two reports (one for each campus) that will present a vision for possible future developments on the campuses, based on the application of the planning and design principles and the evolution of McGill's academic needs. This document will remain an internal working document.

Furthermore, a 5-year plan is under preparation based on priority projects from the Demonstration Plan.

Since February 2007, the Associate Vice Principal has been consulting widely throughout the University using the Executive Summary as the basis for presentations and discussions. Throughout this process, the same principles were presented to all stakeholder groups for comment.