

Richland County Campus Reconfiguration Committee

December 17, 2025

The Richland County Campus Reconfiguration Committee convened on December 17, 2025, in person and virtually at 3:00 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Chair Turk called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Roll Call: County Clerk Kalish conducted roll call. Committee members present: Steve Carrow, Randy Schoonover, Gary Manning, Rod Perry, Steve Williamson, and David Turk. Committee member(s) absent: Melvin “Bob” Frank.

Verification Of Open Meetings Law Compliance: County Clerk Kalish confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Manning second by Schoonover to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda was approved.

Approval Of Minutes From November 19, 2025, Meeting: Chair Turk asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the November 19, 2025, meeting. Hearing none, Chair Turk declared the minutes from the November 19, 2025, meeting approved as published.

Public Comment: None.

Reports:

A. SEH Update: Nate Day and Brian Fukuda of SEH reviewed the market analysis, proposed survey, and answered questions from the committee. Day noted the following highlights: demolition of the unused buildings (Library, Classroom, and Science buildings), repurposing of the Student Center, development of housing on the upland area of the campus, maintaining the recreation areas and integration of nature, enhancing site access, and preserving the highway frontage area. Discussion followed regarding sections 2.2, 2.6, distribution and timeline of the proposed survey, and engagement with future developers.

B. UW Redevelopment Grant Application Update: Administrator Clements noted all information is approved pending underwriting with an anticipation of a January 2026 final approval.

C. Administrator’s Report: Administrator Clements reported that the school district would like items to remain in the building until they occupy the space, and that Habitat for Humanity is also interested in the remaining items on campus. Administrator Clements noted that an RFP will be released for the remodel of portions of the HHS building to accommodate the relocation of the UW-Extension offices March 1, 2026. Administrator Clements also noted that the school district is preparing an RFP for the survey of the campus property.

Discussion & Possible Action – Designation Of Land To Be Transferred To The Symons Center: Administrator Clements provided brief background on agenda item and noted the need to ensure honoring the grant obligations for the outdoor recreation space on campus. Supervisor Carrow asked about the parking lots and Committee Chair Turk noted they would need to be taken into consideration in future planning. Brief discussion followed regarding the use of the space. Committee Chair Turk noted that the county will retain ownership of the nature trails on the campus property. Motion by Schoonover second

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by Perry to approve the SRC land division – revised proposal A map and for the County Administrator to obtain survey to confirm boundary/property lines as indicated on approved map. Motion carried.

Presentation From The City Of Richland Center On A Proposed Subdivision: Economic Development/Public Works Director for the City of Richland Center Jasen Glasbrenner reviewed the estimates provided by Vierbicher. City of Richland Center Mayor Todd Coppernoll noted that the subdivision was first presented in 2021 and that access to the proposed subdivision could be from a road off the current Hive Drive. Discussion followed regarding county and city coordination efforts. Mayor Coppernoll noted infrastructure costs could be controlled to make homes affordable for the community. Brief discussion of infrastructure costs followed. Supervisor Carrow questioned if infrastructure projects could be started without a developer in place. Craig Woodhouse of Neighborhood Housing Services urged committee members to reference a property on Kinder Street for an example of an affordable housing option for the community. Discussion followed regarding affordable housing, lot number and size, and access to the proposed subdivision site. Supervisor Carrow asked Mayor Coppernoll about other housing developments currently occurring in the City, and the mayor noted the Panorama property and the need to consider traffic patterns with future development(s). Glasbrenner provided information on timelines and grant deadlines. Motion by Carrow second by Perry to forward subdivision to the Executive and Finance Standing Committee for further review. Motion carried.

Discussion & Possible Action: Set Future Meeting Date(s): Next meeting set for January 14, 2026, at 3 PM.

Correspondence: County Clerk Kalish noted that two correspondences were received from Alan Lins.

Future Agenda Items:

Reports: UW Redevelopment Grant application, SEH update

Discussion & Possible Action: RFP for building demolition

Adjourn: Motion by Manning second by Carrow to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 4:27 PM.



Derek S. Kalish
County Clerk