

UNIVERSITY SENATE
ANNUAL COMMITTEE REPORT 2020-21

Committee Name: Campus Aesthetics Committee

Number of meetings held this year: One

Committee Chair: Ruben Britt

Committee Members: (list here)

- Beth A. Christensen
- Andra Garner
- Thomas Nardi
- Ray Foley
- Eli Moore
- Liam Cutri-French
- JoAnna R. Murphy
- Ruben Britt

Purpose of/Charge to Committee:

- To attain updates on current and future planning projects and operational procedures and to provide feedback and recommendations on how they affect the Rowan University community.

Summary of Activities this Year:

The chairperson provided information from his meeting with Joe Campbell, Divisional Vice President of Facilities Planning & Operations regarding current and proposed projects. As result of the meeting with the Aesthetics Committee, there were several questions that were asked.

- Are there plans for additional parking on campus for both staff and students?
- What are the plans for the Triad apartments?
- What are the plans for Chestnut Hall?
- Will there be additional parking for the Sophomore Village.

Below are the response from Joe Campbell regarding the aforementioned questions:

- Are there plans for additional parking on campus for both staff and students?

The Cassady demo will add parking behind Discovery Hall, adding to the 180 spaces vacated when Facilities Operations relocate to 70 Sewell Street. Parking was also added as part of the North Campus Drive storm water management project.

- What are the plans for the Triad apartments?

Currently the Sophomore Village project that includes the demolition of Triad is on hold. The role for Triad in the fall will be determined by the housing and residence life leadership and pandemic needs.

- What are the plans for Chestnut Hall?

The Freshman Village project is on hold. Which included demolition of Chestnut and adding parking. There are no other immediate plans for Chestnut. The housing portfolio Summit subcommittee is looking at the current residence halls to prioritize renovation and modernization programs

- Will there be additional parking for the Sophomore Village.

This is the Triad Area project that is on hold.

SUGGESTIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Suggestions:

- With the ongoing encroachment of land from building projects and the continued increase of student enrollment, it is imperative for the university to consider increasing parking space for students and staff.

Recommendations:

- The committee recommended that a student, a Campus Aesthetics Committee member, and a staff member are present at the planning meetings for feedback before the projects are finalized.