



POLICY TITLE	Capital Facilities Community Impact and Planning	Policy Number	422
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Responsible Office	Office of the Vice President of Administration and Strategic Relations		

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To provide a process for planning and construction of capital facilities projects at Utah Valley University that shall minimize any adverse impact on nearby residents and local governmental units.

2.0 REFERENCES

2.1 10-9-29, Utah Code

2.2 53B-6-101, Utah Code Annotated 1953

2.3 53B-20-101, Utah Code Annotated 1953

2.4 63-1-33 to 63-1-35, Utah Code Annotated 1953

2.5 63-1-36 to 63-1-44, Utah Code Annotated 1953

2.6 Utah Board of Higher Education Policy R714 *Capital Facilities Community Impact*

3.0 DEFINITIONS

4.0 POLICY

4.1 Minimize Adverse Impact Off Campus

4.1.1 Utah Valley University is not subject to the planning and zoning authority of municipalities or other governmental units in which it is located (Utah Code 10-9-29), but it is the policy of the University to minimize any adverse impact on the local neighborhood and community, consistent with the attainment of the legitimate mission and goal of the University.



4.2 UVU to Take into Account Local Planning and Zoning Processes

4.2.1 Although the University is exempt from the planning and zoning authority of the local governmental units, the University shall conduct planning activities in accordance with the provisions of this policy and shall address factors that would ordinarily be considered in local planning and zoning processes.

4.3 Factors Considered

4.3.1 The University shall evaluate the effects of proposed facilities on off-campus residents and businesses, including such matters as appearance, generation of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, vehicle parking, noise and air pollution, storm water drainage, etc.

4.4 Consultation with Local Governmental Units

4.4.1 The University shall consult with cognizant municipal or county planning and zoning authorities when changes to traffic volume and patterns, health and safety, noise, parking, land use, impact on utilities systems and other municipal services, and similar matters may substantially affect the municipality of the off-campus residential/business community. These meetings shall be for purposes of planning and cooperation, sharing of data and information, and minimizing potential conflicts over land use and other issues important to the community.

4.5 Public Meetings and Community Involvement

4.5.1 When changes are made to the university master plan, UVU will sponsor a public meeting, with a 45-day minimum advance notice to the public at large and to local governmental and community leaders in particular.

4.5.2 Interim meetings shall be scheduled by the University, as appropriate, to inform nearby community leaders of intentions to initiate the process to obtain governing board and legislative approval for the planning and construction of specific projects.

4.5.3 Purpose of Meetings

1) The purpose of these meetings shall be to present preliminary university campus facilities master plans and identify any community impact, as well as mitigating actions that might result from new physical facilities projects on the campus. The master plans shall identify potential future building sites and indicate the probable locations of campus facilities projects reasonably expected to be funded during the next five years. Particular attention shall focus on projects anticipated to be funded during the ensuing year, especially the scope of proposed new volume and patterns, parking, impact on municipal utilities systems and other services, noise, and health and safety issues. Interim meetings to review specific project proposals shall be scheduled in a manner which allows community leaders and citizens reasonable lead time to evaluate the



potential neighborhood impact and to provide meaningful input to the University and its governing boards.

4.5.4 Comments and Advice Sought—Minutes Forwarded

4.5.4.1 Comments and advice shall be sought from local citizens and governmental officials, and minutes of these public meetings will be submitted to the Board of Trustees and the Utah Board of Higher Education (UBHE) for their consideration.

4.6 Board of Trustees

4.6.1 The Board of Trustees, after receipt of minutes from UBHE-sponsored meetings on the master plan, shall review, modify as appropriate, and approve campus facilities master plans as part of the University's capital budget approval process. Public notice of these Board of Trustees meetings shall be provided.

4.7 Utah Board of Higher Education

4.7.1 The Utah Board of Higher Education will conduct an annual review of the comprehensive campus facilities master plan for the University in correlation with academic master plans. The review will normally take place during meetings of the board held annually at the University, which are open to the public with advance notice.

5.0 PROCEDURES

POLICY HISTORY		
Date of Last Action	Action Taken	Authorizing Entity
October 14, 1993	Approved	UVU Board of Trustees
January 30, 2024	Non-substantive changes to replace “Regents” with “Utah Board of Higher Education”	UVU Policy Office