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Colorado College Transportation Master Plan Sets 5th Meeting

Technical Team to Present Draft Recommendations

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – April 22, 2013 – The technical team drafting recommendations for safety and mobility improvements on the Colorado College campus and in the surrounding area will present a synopsis during a meeting May 1. The recommendations and draft plan are based on input received from citizens and the working group. The meeting, which is open to the public, takes place:

**Time/Date:** 4 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 1, 2013

**Place:** Gates Common Room (3rd floor), Palmer Hall, 1025 N. Cascade Ave (east of Tutt Library)

**Parking:** North of Palmer Hall off E. Uintah St., just east of N. Cascade.

The draft recommendation will include a road system traffic analysis to establish existing and projected future traffic volumes. “We want to stress that the public vetting process is not yet over,” said Tim Seibert, project manager with N.E.S., the firm leading the master transportation plan process. “What we have at this point is a recommendation based on all the public and working group input we’ve received to this point.”

The technical team is drafting recommendations based on community values and community vision established by the roughly 40 members of the working group. Additionally, the plan includes input received from citizens, businesses, community leaders, City of Colorado Springs staff and college and student body representatives. Colorado Springs city staff is reviewing the recommendations for cost implications, feasibility and technical acceptability.

The seven-month study of pedestrian, motorist and bicyclist safety and mobility through and around the campus is led by N.E.S. Inc., a local land planning and urban design firm. The Working Group is analyzing current vehicle and pedestrian travel patterns and making recommendations for future improvements.

During the last workshop in late February, participants examined bridge and tunnel options, traffic calming alternatives and options to improve transportation on and around the campus. At the conclusion of the workshop, participants reported back to the technical team and the group provided feedback. In general, the group supports the study’s system-wide approach and options that slow traffic through the campus and surrounding neighborhoods, while also further integrating Colorado College as part of the community.

For more information about the meetings, send an email to transportationplan@coloradocollege.edu
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