

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Campus Plan Update May 17, 2011



Filed Plan with Zoning Commission on March 18

File Plan changes 5/19 and pre-hearing statement 5/26

Continue community discussions

File Tenley Campus further processing after Historic Preservation Office finalizes guidance

Zoning Commission hearings June 9, 23 and July 14

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY 2011 Campus Plan Objectives Support the Strategic Plan

**Facilities Priorities to Support Goals** 

- Undergraduate student housing
- Recreation, dining, activity space
- New law school facility
- Additional faculty offices
- Improved science instruction and research facilities
- Additional athletic facilities
- Admissions Welcome Center
- Alumni Center

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY Changes Since March 18

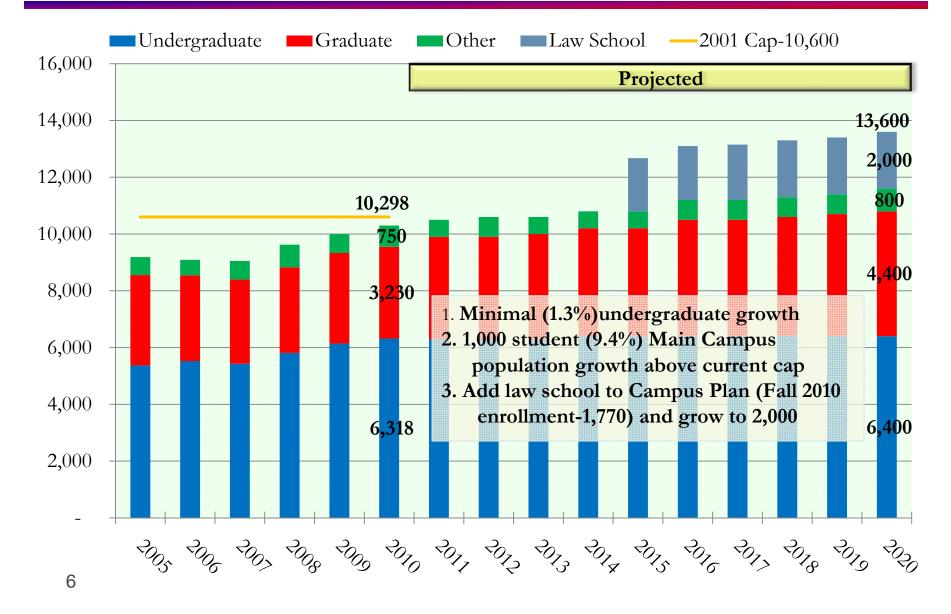
- 1. Agreeing to an enrollment cap of 13,600 and employee cap of 2,900
- 2. Reduced gross floor area from 892,000 to 845,000 square feet
- 3. Increased beds at North Residence Hall from 200 to 360
- 4. Increased beds at Nebraska Hall Addition from 120 to 150
- 5. Further Developed Tenley Proposal
  - Maintaining close relationship to existing footprints
  - Agreeing to historic designation of entire campus, except Congressional, Federal, Constitution and 1974 addition to Dunblane



- 6. East Campus
  - Removed one housing building, reducing beds from 770 to 590
  - Removed proposed Mass. Ave. driveway and retained Nebraska Ave. driveway
  - Increased setbacks of housing buildings from 40 feet to 100 feet
  - Reduced total parking from 500 to 400

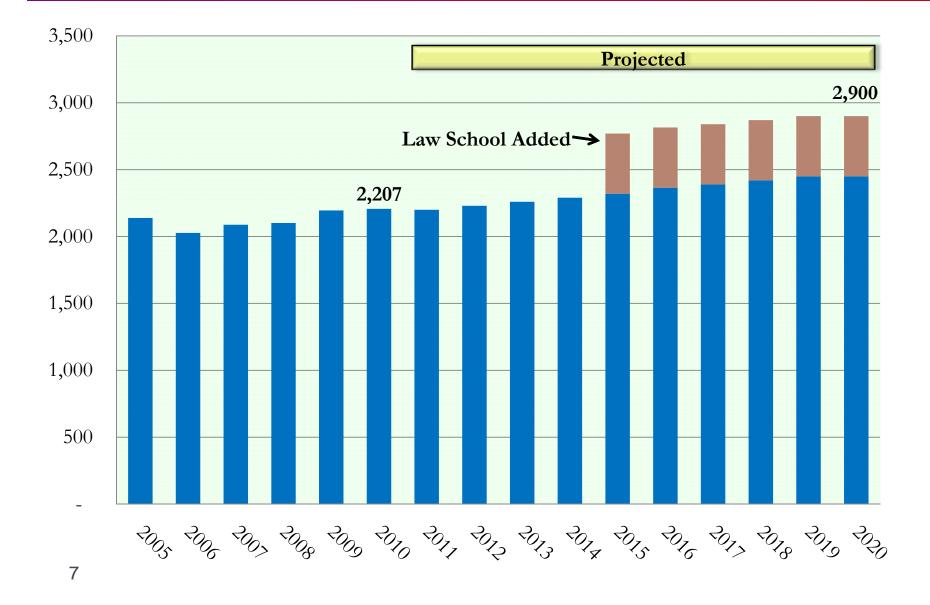
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# Student Population & Projections 2005-2020 w/ Law School



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Employee Population & Projections 2005-2020 w/ Law School





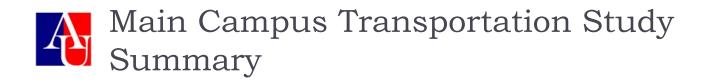
- 1. AU houses most of its undergrads (4,000+/-)
- 2. Many undergrads live nearby in apartments (900+/-)
- 3. A few live in houses
  - 238 students live in 123 houses out of a total of 6,000+/- houses in 20016
- 4. There are 13 undergrad group houses with 4 or more students



Current Capacity	3,533
Net New Beds	793
2011 Campus Plan Capacity	4,326

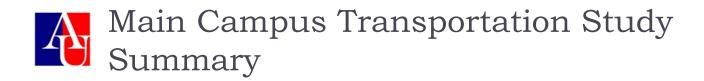
# **New Housing Goals**

- Modernize housing
- Accommodate undergraduates
- Open Tenley Campus to law school





- AU generated peak-hour traffic declined 3.9%/year since 1999, as a result of continued promotion of non-auto travel options
- High volume of commuter traffic on Nebraska and Massachusetts Aves is the primary source of peak-hour congestion
- AU accounts for only a small proportion of local traffic
- Changes in traffic generated by Campus Plan are small and will not impact overall traffic conditions
- Parking use has declined by 3.1%/year, since 2000
  - Current parking demand 1,500 spaces
  - Current parking inventory 2,700 spaces
- University-related off-campus parking is very limited



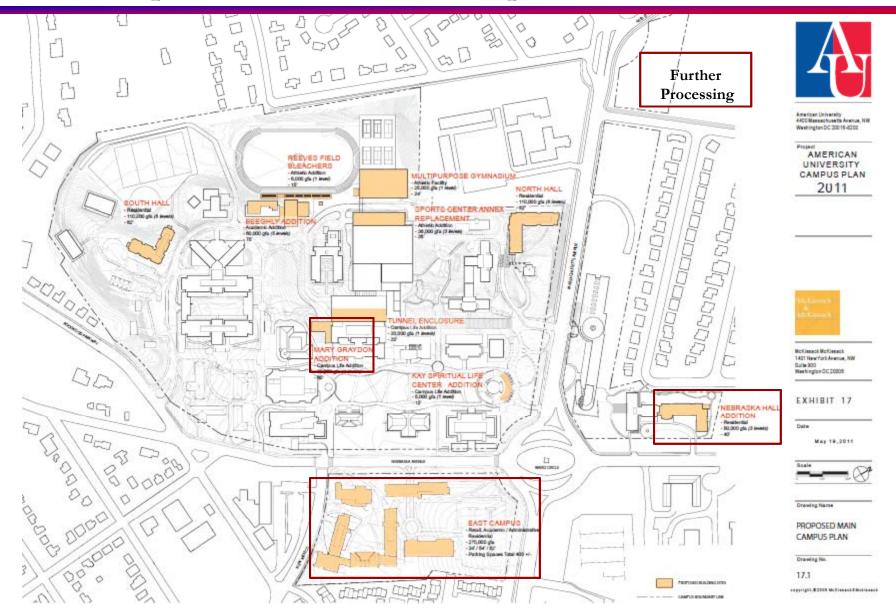


- Pedestrian crossings on Nebraska and Massachusetts need safety improvements
  - AU recommends DDOT implement signal changes on Nebraska
  - AU recommends DDOT implement mid-block signalized pedestrian crossing on Nebraska
  - DDOT RCW II report recommends signals at Massachusetts cross walks
- Potential impacts from growth in pedestrian traffic can be minimized through:
  - Channelizing pedestrians to signalized crosswalks
  - Employing signal timings that separate pedestrians and vehicles
- Projected pedestrian crossings on Nebraska can be accommodated without negative impacts



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# Campus Plan 2011 – Main Campus













AMERICAN UNIVERSITY Nebraska Hall Addition – View from Nebraska Avenue



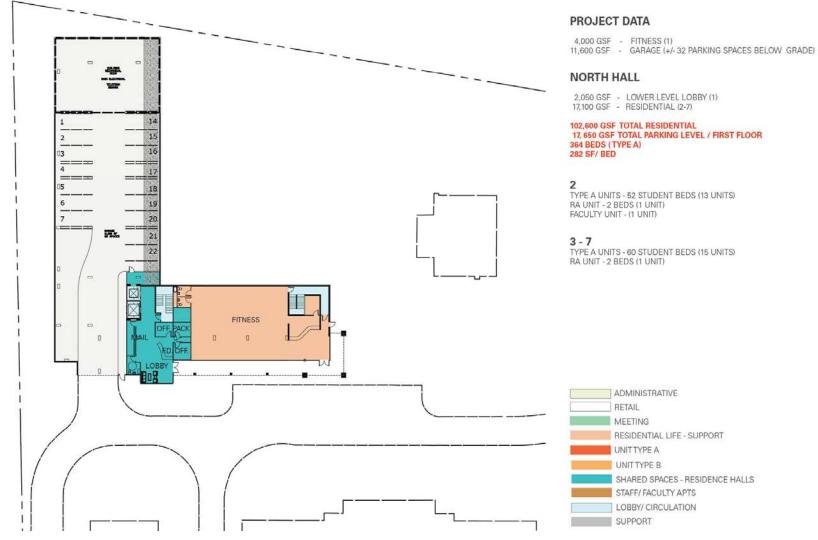
# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY Nebraska Hall Addition – View from 44<sup>th</sup> Street



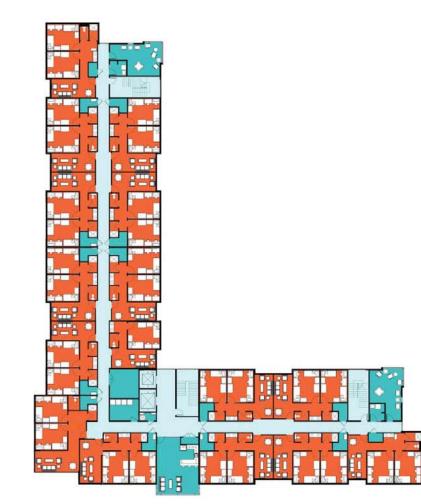












### **PROJECT DATA**

4,000 GSF - FITNESS (1) 11,600 GSF - GARAGE (+/- 32 PARKING SPACES BELOW GRADE)

### NORTH HALL

2,050 GSF - LOWER LEVEL LOBBY (1) 17,100 GSF - RESIDENTIAL (2-7)

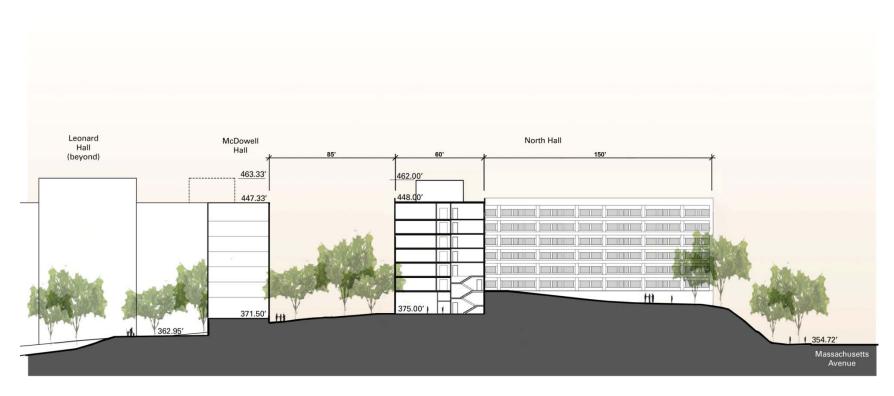
102,600 GSF TOTAL RESIDENTIAL 17,650 GSF TOTAL PARKING LEVEL / FIRST FLOOR 364 BEDS (TYPE A) 282 SF/ BED

2 TYPE A UNITS - 52 STUDENT BEDS (13 UNITS) RA UNIT - 2 BEDS (1 UNIT) FACULTY UNIT - (1 UNIT)

3 - 7 TYPE A UNITS - 60 STUDENT BEDS (15 UNITS) RA UNIT - 2 BEDS (1 UNIT)

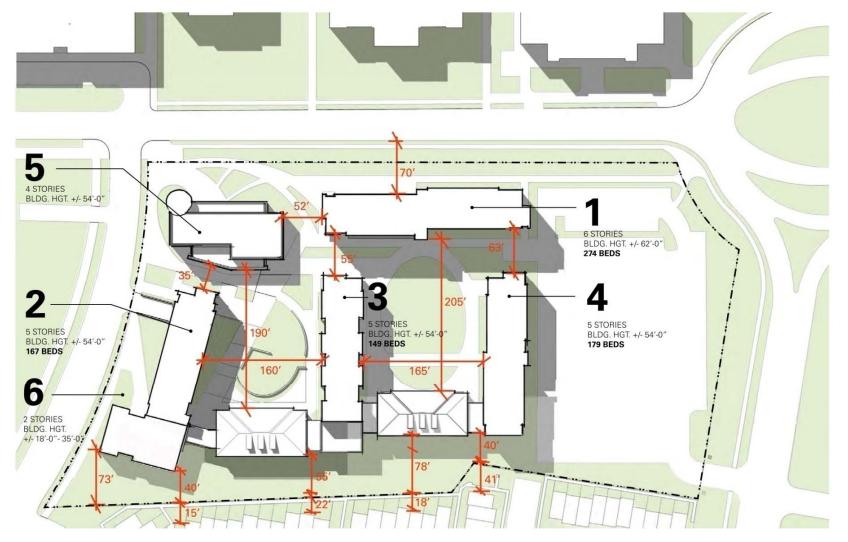




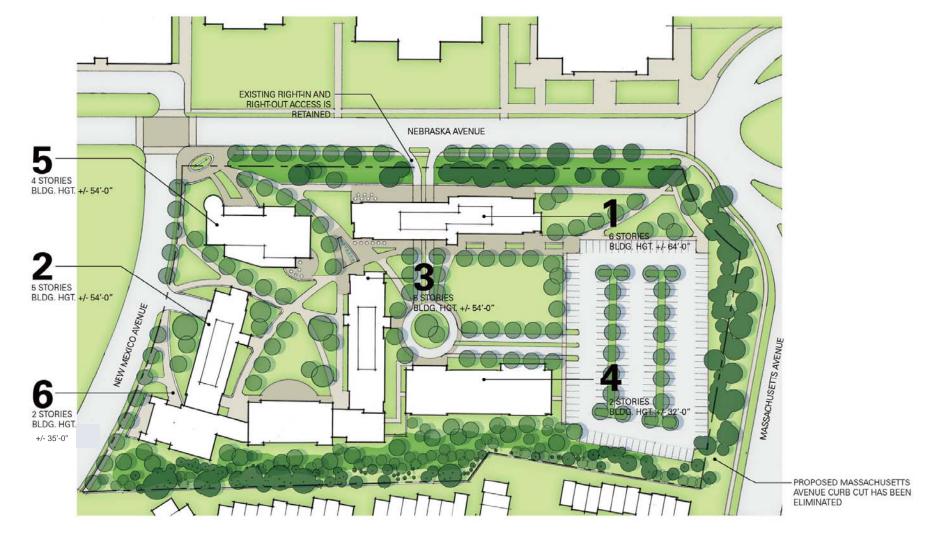




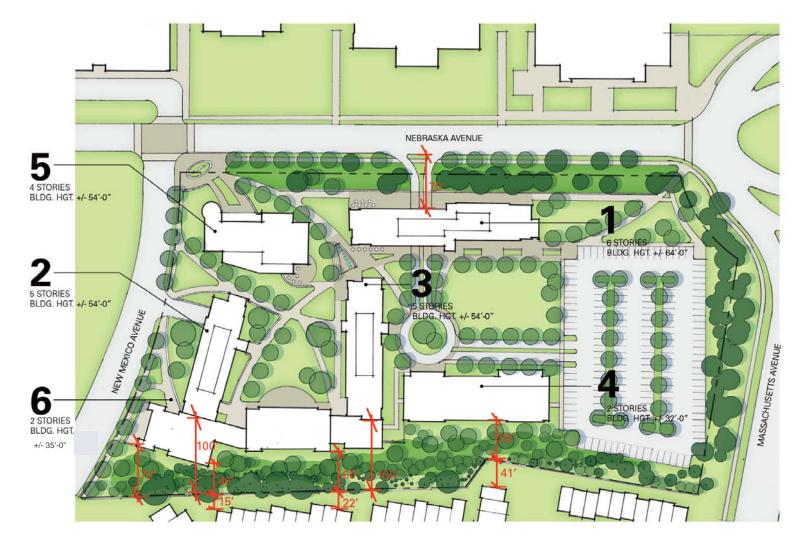




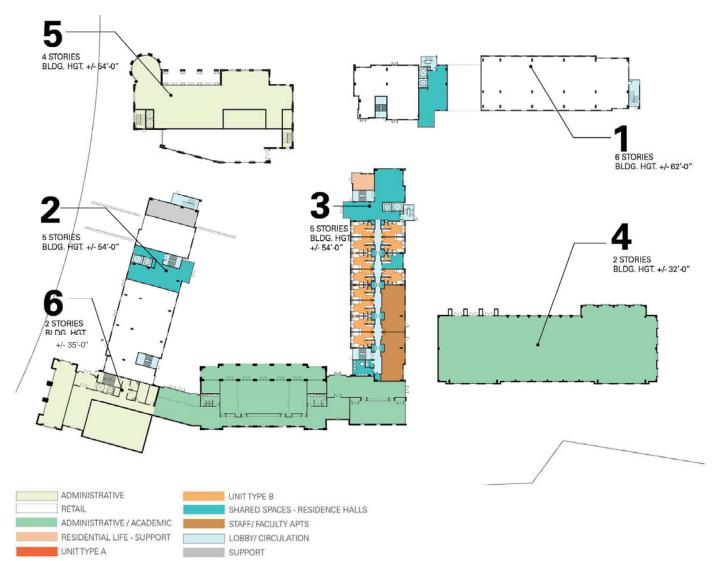








# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – First Floor Plan



### **PROJECT DATA**

### 1 9,100 GSF - RETAIL 2,000 GSF - SHARED SPACES 1,000 GSF - STAFF/FACULTY APT (2) 66,250 GSF - RESIDENTIAL (2-6) 78,350 GSF (274 BEDS - TYPE B)

2 4,900 GSF - RETAIL 2,000 GSF - SHARED SPACES 37,200 GSF - RESIDENTIAL (2-5) 44,100 GSF (140 BEDS - TYPE B)

### 3

2.000 GSF - STAFF/FACULTY APTS 5,800 GSF - RESIDENTIAL (1) 2.000 GSF - SHARED SPACES 500 GSF - RESIDENTIAL LIFE - SUPPORT (1) 41,200 GSF - RESIDENTIAL (2-5) 51,500 GSF (176 BEDS - TYPE B)

### 4

24,000 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE / ACADEMIC (1-2) 24,000 GSF TOTAL

### 5

3,020 GSF - RETAIL (1) 50,190 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE (0-4)

53,210 GSF TOTAL (0-4)

6 7,500 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE (1-2) 10,200 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE / ACADEMIC (1-2)

17,700 GSF TOTAL

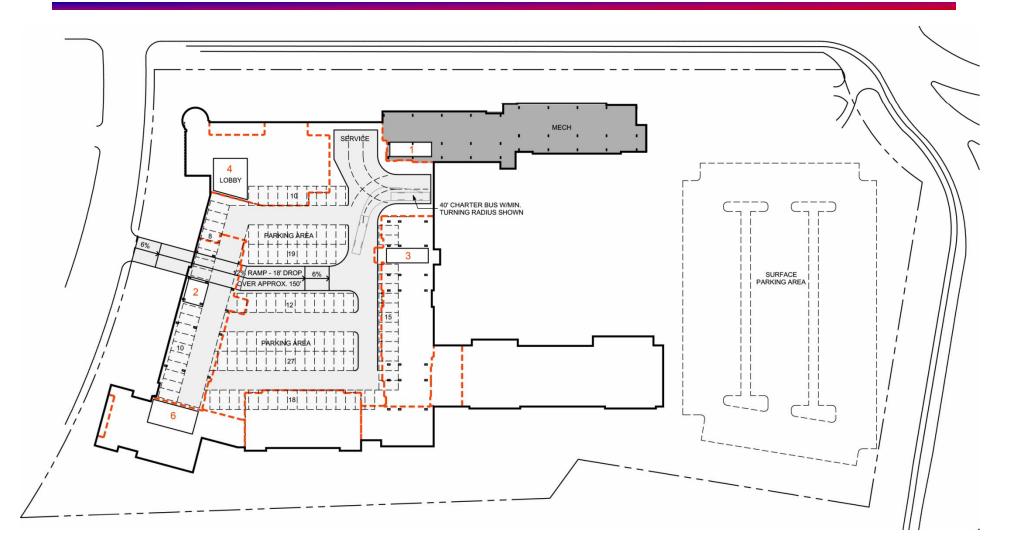
### TOTALS

57,690 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE 34,200 GSF - ADMINISTRATIVE / ACADEMIC 17,020 GSF - RETAIL 500 GSF - RESIDENTIAL LIFE - SUPPORT 150,450 GSF - RESIDENTIAL 3,000 GSF - STAFF/ FACULTY APARTMENTS 6,000 GSF - SHARED SPACES / CIRCULATION / SUPPORT

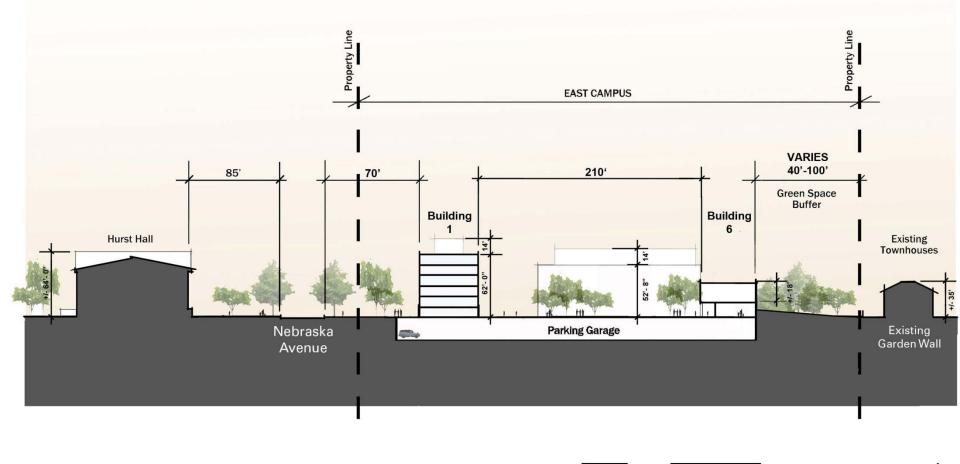
### 268,860 GSF TOTAL

590 BEDS (TYPE B) 255 SF/ BED

# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – Service & Parking Level Plan

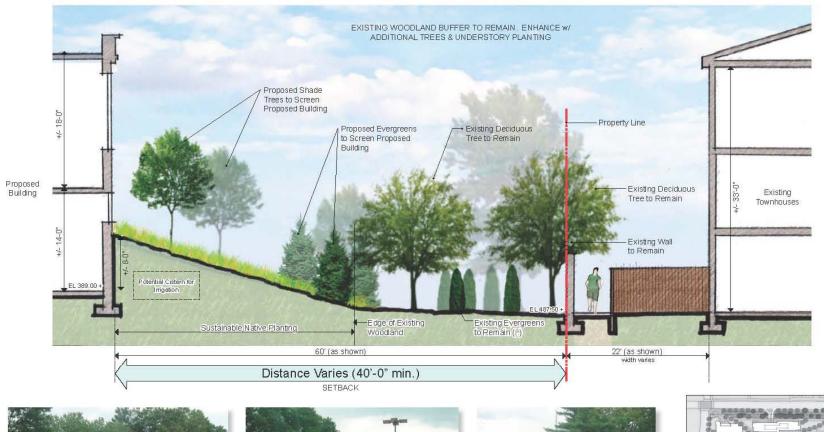


# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – Site Section





# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – Woodland Buffer Section





AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – Woodland Buffer Plan Enlargement



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# East Campus – Sustainability Measures







# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – New Mexico Avenue Elevation



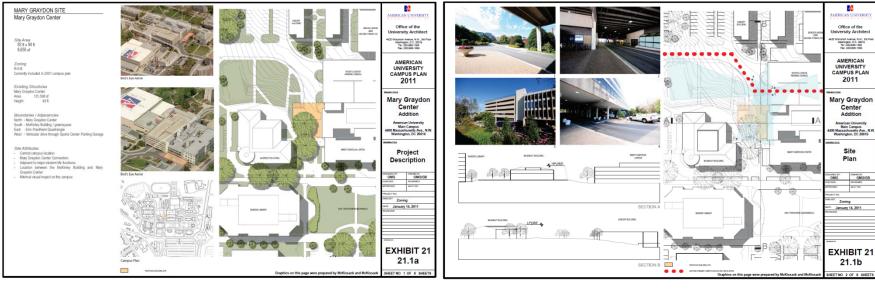
# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY East Campus – Interior Courtyard Perspective



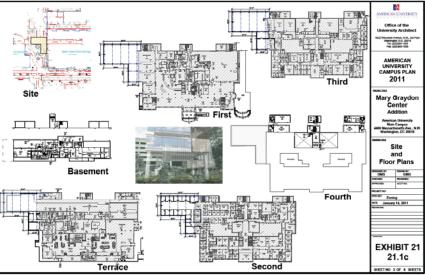




# AMERICAN UNIVERSITY Campus Plan 2011 Mary Graydon Center Addition









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### <u>Concern</u>

Noise in the community from students both on and off-campus

### How Addressed

- Housing designed with entrances facing in toward campus and away from neighboring residences
- Activity focused inward and away from perimeter
- Building and landscape buffers diffuse noise
- Student education and conduct policies encourage behavior that is respectful of surrounding community
- Reduced numbers of students on East Campus

### <u>Concern</u>

Pedestrian safety crossing Nebraska and Massachusetts Aves

Traffic congestion on public streets

## How Addressed

- East Campus pedestrian paths lead to signalized crossings, improving pedestrian safety
- Proposed pedestrian signal improvement on Nebraska Ave will reduce conflicts with vehicles
- Support city proposal to improve Massachusetts Ave crossing
- Continue policies and actions that encourage greater use of public transportation
- Increase shuttle, bicycle and other services as needed
- Engage city and others on "Big Ideas" to improve Ward Circle traffic

### <u>Concern</u>

Views into the university from neighboring communities and views out from university into neighboring communities

# How Addressed

- Revised orientation of buildings on East Campus to minimize views
- Increased setbacks of East Campus housing buildings to 100 feet
- On East Campus no student room windows face adjacent properties
- Setbacks provided and heights of buildings reduced to minimize views
- Landscape buffers (including berms where applicable) provided to screen views

### <u>Concern</u>

Noise from traffic/service entries near houses

## How Addressed

 Service and parking access located away from residences or underground

University-related parking on residential streets

Continue parking policy,
enforcement and education

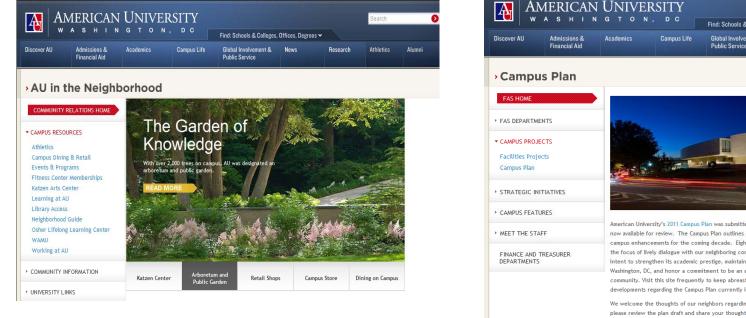


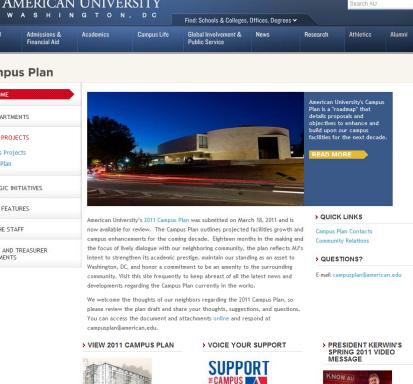
### **Community Relations web page**

http://www.american.edu/communityrelations/

### Campus Plan web page

http://www.american.edu/finance/fas/Campus-Plan.cfm





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Update on recent campus accomplishments and upcoming Campus Plan.

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