

6. SUPPORT FACILITIES ELEMENT

The plan update projected 122,000 GSF of support space. Approximately 92,000 GSF of support facilities were proposed in the 1995 plan (as amended in 1997), of which 13,800 GSF have been constructed. The Campus Development Agreement (April 1998) authorizes 13,800 GSF of support facilities through 2003-2004. The plan update proposes a program of support facilities as follows:

The 1995 plan envisioned an expansion of the Campus Activity Center, which is provided to serve the proposed residential student population. The Multi-Purpose Student Center will provide social, organization, service and cultural functions for students and other members of the campus community in a central location across from the Poynter Library. A new Support Service complex on First Street South is a carry over from the 1995 plan.

The plan update also provides for a 700 to 1,000 space parking structure on Third Street South between Fifth and Sixth Avenues. The structure will be designed for horizontal expansion for a total of 1,300 to 1,500 spaces.

Plan Framework for Support Facilities

The scale and layout of the St. Petersburg campus allows proposed support facilities to be located at the edge of the academic core while still being in close proximity to the heart of the campus. The Campus Activity Center, which is the principal recreational/social/event facility of the campus, is positioned in such a way in the plan that it is the northeast "anchor" of the Central Lawn around which academic facilities are to be located. The opposite end of the Central Lawn is anchored by the proposed Multi-Purpose Student Center and the Library.

The proposed new Support Services Building is located on the First Street edge of the campus, with vehicle access by way of the alley midway between the Sixth and Seventh Avenue corridors. The plan envisions a two-story building with office space on the upper level and high bay service functions on the ground floor, with an enclosed yard area for maintenance vehicles and equipment. The location of the complex is considered optimal because of its direct accessibility for service and delivery vehicles and the removal of the

utilitarian functions (including equipment noise and movement, and, if included, chiller condensation plumes, etc.) to a location peripheral to the academic core.

The Snell House occupies a prominent gateway location at Fifth Avenue and Second Street, and is used for an alumni office space. The Snell and Williams Houses were moved to the campus from another site during the period when the master plan was being prepared, and located in accordance with conceptual plan studies for the campus. A new Welcome Center is located along Seventh Avenue adjacent to the new entry courtyard in front of the Library.

Table 6-a and Figure 6-a summarize the support facilities in the 10-year planning period. The plan recommends preferred sites or locations for each of the facilities in the program listed in this section. The locations reflect an assessment of the appropriateness of the site for the facility, confirmed by discussions with the working committees and University staff.

The plan illustrates the generalized form of building sites in order to impart an illustration of the intended mass, texture, density and organization of building sites on the campus. Specific building configurations may vary in actual execution, as may the arrangement of buildings within groupings. However, the master plan does identify recommended building frontage and setback lines and location of major passages through and between building groupings that should be maintained in order to frame and protect the system of major open spaces around which campus development is to be organized. The intent is to allow flexibility in the shape, articulation, and organization of facilities within the building "envelopes" that are created by the setback lines described in the Architectural Design Guidelines Element.

Goal

The Support Facilities goal of the St. Petersburg campus plan is to provide a full complement of support functions in close proximity but peripheral to the academic core.

Summary of Objectives and Policies

Objective 6.1. The University shall provide support facilities as described in this element, and as shown on Figure 6-a. The timing and phasing requirements and priorities for these facilities are established in the Capital Improvements Element.

Policy 6.1.1. The Multi-Purpose Student Center should be located across from the Library corner of Second and Seventh Avenues.

Objective 6.2. USFSP shall recommend appropriate locations for future support facilities as described and delineated in this element, based on currently known factors such as program requirements, affinities and relationships with other uses, and sequencing. However, the University may, due to changes or reconsideration of any factors affecting location, recommend sites other than those currently identified, provided that such alternative sites are consistent with general land use and density provisions set forth in Future Land Use Element. Should such sites be inconsistent with general land use and density provisions, amendment to the master plan will be required.

Policy 6.2.1. The Physical Plant and the potential Chiller Plant relocations should be accommodated on the block of the campus south of the Sixth Avenue campus drive and adjacent to First Street, with service access from First Street via the alley corridor.

Policy 6.2.2. The University shall identify and secure funds for future support facilities as described in the Capital Improvements Element.

Table 6-a 10-Year Support Facilities Program

• Multi-Purpose Student Center	90,000 gsf
• Campus Activity Center Expansion	15,000 gsf
• Support Services Building	<u>34,200 gsf</u>
Total	139,200 gsf