

## **University-Community Planning Committee to sponsor open forum on development of surrounding land areas**

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An open forum seeking university and community views on the development of the land areas surrounding the University of California, San Diego has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 5, under the sponsorship of the University Community Planning Committee.

The forum, to be held from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., will take place in the Dean's Conference Room on the ground floor of the Basic Science Building at the School of Medicine. Through the forum, anyone from the university community area may give his views on the future development of the land surrounding the 1,000-acre campus.

The 12-member University-Community Planning Committee, established last December by UCSD Chancellor William McElroy, has been asked to monitor and evaluate, on a continuous basis, development plans for the land area around the UCSD campus.

The committee is headed by Dr. Clifford Grobstein, Vice Chancellor University Relations. In addition to Grobstein, the membership includes H. D. Johnson, Vice Chancellor - Business and Finance, and Bernard Sisco, Vice Chancellor - Administration, and four faculty members: Drs. James Arnold, Walter Munk, Larry Schneiderman and Sheldon Schultz.

Also on the committee are two university staff employees, Jerry W. Fitzsimmons and Mrs. Terri A. Novit, who reside in the area covered by the current university master plan; a graduate student, Leik Myrabo; and two undergraduate students, Marco LiMandri and Kathy Sheetz. In addition, three UCSD staff members, Assistant Chancellor David Ryer and Don Sites and Jack Rule of the Architects and Engineers Office, serve the committee as consultants.

According to Grobstein, the committee is using the University-Community Master Plan, developed with wide community participation in 1971, as its starting point and will examine all the plan's specific provisions with respect to currency and feasibility before endorsing any of them. The master plan currently guides the University's stand on the development of the land east of the campus.

Grobstein said the work of the committee is to be conducted largely through "task forces" made up of representatives from the campus (including faculty, staff and students) and supplemented by community expertise as well as by professional consultants. He said the task forces will be the chief mechanism for collection of data and formulation of policy recommendations. They will report their findings to the full committee which, in turn, will prepare recommendations for the Chancellor.

At present, task forces are being formed to specifically consider four areas: transportation problems, the development of housing around the campus, the proposed University Town Center in the area immediately east of the campus, and The Villa La Jolla development under construction south of the campus.

He said the task forces and the open forum are the first steps in developing a continuously evolving University stance with respect to community development around the campus. It is anticipated that a broadened University perspective will emerge that can provide leadership for community development, Grobstein said.

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