Moss Street and Villard Alley Parking Projects Summary

Locations and Parking Count:
Overall Total: 163
Breakdown:
• Moss St, north of 15th Ave: 11
• Moss St, between 15th Ave and 17th Ave: 96
• East side of Villard Alley, between 15th and 17th Ave: 56

Description:
The University proposes to purchase Moss Street, between 15th Ave and 17th Ave to develop mostly head-in parking, as well as install head-in parking along the portion of Moss Street just north of 15th Ave (which it already owns). Access to these spaces will be primarily from 15th Ave. The University also proposes to install head-in parking along the east side of Villard Alley between 15th Ave and 17th Ave and pave the gravel portion of the Alley. Access to Villard Alley parking will be from 15th Ave.

Moss Street will continue to serve as a through-street open to the public. An example of similar functioning streets are University Street between 15th Ave and 18th Ave, or 15th Ave between University and Agate. While campus users may access parking on Moss Street through 17th Ave, traffic calming measures will be used to discourage entry and exit 17th Ave.

Development of more parking on Moss Street means that campus users are parking closer to central campus destinations.

Top best practices include:
• Using permeable asphalt for the parking spaces
• Preserving healthy trees and removing unhealthy trees
• Planting new native trees, shrubs and groundcovers, or ones analogous to native trees
• Installing low volume irrigation system
• Installing salvaged parking lot lights wherever possible
• Repair broken and damaged sidewalks
• Traffic-calming measures to discourage entry/exit on 17th Ave

Estimated Completion Dates:
• Fall Term 2010 (Villard Alley and Moss Street, north of 15th Ave)
• January 2011 (Moss Street, between 15th Avenue and 17th Avenue)

The University is developing a plan to provide temporary parking spaces for those not available by fall term 2010.

How project will mitigate impacts on neighbors?
The designs will generally discourage daily commuters to campus from driving through adjacent residential areas. The current parking spaces in the Bean parking lot are accessed entirely from 17th Avenue, and the replacement parking on Moss Street will encourage circulation via 15th, decreasing circulation through the adjacent residential areas. The parking on Villard Alley will be accessed from 15th only (convenient to
Franklin Blvd and to Agate Street), keeping cars off of 17th Ave and out of the neighborhood. The Moss Street project between 15th and 17th will study various traffic calming measures to discourage traffic exiting at the south end into the neighborhood, and provide a more convenient exit north to 15th.

**How will the project serve the transportation needs of the UO campus?**
Parking will be in the same general location as the Bean lot and will encourage campus users to use 15th Avenue (closer to center of campus) more than 17th Avenue.

**What City of Eugene land use permits are required?**
The UO must apply for a street Vacation in order to purchase Moss Street, between 15th Ave and 17th Ave. This land use action requires a public hearing and vote by the Eugene City Council. Following Vacation approval, no additional land use permits are required.

**What other City of Eugene permits are required?**
Paving an existing gravel portion of Villard Alley will require a City of Eugene PEPI (Privately Engineered Public Improvements) permit. All projects require site development permits through the City of Eugene Building Department.

**What University of Oregon reviews are required?**
The Campus Planning Committee will review the schematic designs for Moss Street and Villard Alley.

**How do the projects meet City and University policies for the East Campus Area?**
City Code and Fairmount/UO Special Area Study:
- Projects will meet City code parking area standards through the site development permit review process.
- Adverse affects of parking will be mitigated as much as possible.
- The UO will include a local street connection study as part of the Street Vacation application requirements for Moss Street.

Campus Plan and Development Policy for the East Campus Area:
- The replacement spaces are serving the same general area as the spaces being replaced.
- All parking areas contain less than 100 spaces.
- The parking count in east campus will remain the same relative to all areas of campus (requirement is about 27%).
- The University is continuing to pursue programs and projects which both (a) increase the supply of parking and (b) reduce student, faculty, staff reliance on automobile transportation and, thereby, reducing the demand for parking.
- The University is pursuing the purchase of Moss Street to develop into head-in parking to increase parking and discourage through-traffic by making it more parking lot like and less street like.