

ADDENDUM #3

Algoma University - Renovation and Expansion Brampton Campus Request for Proposal

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1 - Notes and Questions from March 21, 2019 SSM Campus Site Walkthrough with Owner and Bidders

Introduction:

Shane – The Campus Master Plan Project is a 5-10 year outlook, will be required to speak to partners for planning, including Algoma District School Board and Shingwauk Education Trust (SET)

Asima – Algoma University (AU) is in transformation, with increase in enrollment. AU Board's focus is on growth, so require a strategy for growth. Expect a 20 % increase next year, and 3000 students by 2020. Infrastructure is needed (housing, programming). The Convergence Centre (CC) Building was designed to put an extension on it from the start.

SET, SKG, CCSA are our partnerships, ADSB is also part of the process (intent for future) i.e., Synthetic field, or recreational field), as well as the city of Sault Ste Marie.

Where are we going? – 2000 students on Sault Ste. Marie Campus, 1000 on Brampton Campus, so we need a robust campus development plan,

AU student union, faculty, and staff need to be consulted. Special Mission included – embrace Indigenous culture, not an indigenous institution but in the architectural design of the campus, to have elements of culture included.

Question – Are Strategic Plan or Growth Strategy documents available?

Asima replied could be provided to them on the website

[Strategic Plan](#)

Question – Brampton Campus Expand?

Asima replied – have a 6000 sq. feet renovation being done by end of spring, having conversations with city to expand with more programs, School of Business is done, leased space is being renovated with prominent look, no new buildings will be constructed

Question – School of Business location?

Shane replied – will be level 2 of the library, new main entrance at U Door, ½ of that floor will still be the library. Would like the look tied into the National Training Center (East Wing development), flow between the two- tied together. Will be tied together for funding proposals and synergy. Planning to invite local business and community to use the space.

Asima replied – Working on funding for the School of Business, it is a 5.2 million-project concept, but will be open to new concepts, renovation by spring 2020

Question – Original Conceptual Drawing of School of Business – do we follow?

Asima replied – We are open to new concepts, drawing done for the opening.

Shane replied – Drawing was our starting point, no criteria at that time but we have one now, need to coordinate it with the East wing plans.

Asima continued – Residential School Center has \$10 million worth of archives, needs prominence, as we would like to situate Algoma as a National Center for Reconciliation. EW205 will be a training center, culturally and internationally, we want to modernize and innovate the area, and a place to decompress after tours of the archives as it could be very emotional. A space to also teach about the Archives. School of Business will bring in community and business, so need it to be comfortable for everyone.

Shane added – need the entrance that recognizes the center of excellence as a national site, its own prominence.

Shane – Project for North Wing (NW) Areas and Student Success Central’s One Shop Hub

Space 1 – renovate Student Success Central by actualizing a plan that we currently have.

Space 2 – move the computer labs to the basement floor, replace with the bookstore, student union that would be brought up to where the 3 computer labs are now. Space would be linked together.

Asima added – computer programs are the fastest growing, so we would like to display the labs

Shane – Student Success Central has plans for windows to look onto the hallway, to open up the space, make it more welcoming.

Space 3 – Speakeasy – has outlived its usefulness, we are a winter campus, looking for a lodge feel, a place to “warm up”. The main door where come into the campus, should be updated; it is the first impression of AU.

Asima would like to celebrate our winter, display it but also a place that is flexible, for “wings and beer”, bringing in bands and dj’ s. Must also consider the outside patio that is not being used as it should be. Funding for the Speakeasy is coming from the student union,

Space 4 – Recruitment and International Areal

Shane noted – the architect is doing it, minor items. However, should be consistent with the them throughout.

Timelines

Asima noted – that some of the projects need to be done by this summer, the Speakeasy is one of them. One stop shop (Student Success Central) looking at the currently plan, update what is required and needs to be done very quickly. Computer labs move is required ASAP. University is hosting a National Forum on Reconciliation the first week of October, and all design elements should be in place for the other areas, but not construction.

Question – Addendums?

Shane responded would be sent up to 48 hours prior to the closing date of the RFP

Question – National Center?

Asima answered, will be added or expanded for space, funding dependent. A conceptual concept of that are is required. Also will need extra storage somewhere in that area for the archives.

Questions Arising from the Campus Tour

Shane explained the extension possibility for the CC building, for research and computer science and what is required.

Speakeasy – Asima would like the outdoor sign changed, still keep the nightlife feel and coffee feel of the space, but needs updated.

Student Success Area – second entrance to be double door, have plans already

Question of Design for area? – have plans (no mechanical yet, rendering for furniture)

Hallway – Asima would like to add colour to the area, no more white walls,

Speakeasy – Asima noted the student union has approximately \$1.3 million for the update

Question if included cafeteria? – can be separated so is just the speakeasy, bar can stay where it is but upgrade of space so can provide food

Question – How to contact stakeholder groups? – Shane indicated they are to contact him and he can set it up.

ICT Hallway – Student Life Area – Asima would like it to feel like a shopping center, as it would have the Bookstore, AUSU, and Tim Hortons. She would also like the area near the security desk revitalized, as it is one of the highest traffic areas of the campus.

Asima noted Door U – (front of building) is going to be the entrance to the School of business, keep the windows, in that area, open up the student area for space when come in.

First floor of Shingwauk Hall is International and Experiential Learning, also to be linked to the School of Business concept.

Tour continued to east wing, Asima would like this area to have more prominence as it has the Archives, expanding the area where classrooms are, EW205 to be the training center room, bring in indigenous culture but also considering other culture also.

2nd floor of main building, Recruitment area, need it to have office space and meeting space, the storage room would be an office for the Director, want it to have function, and fun

Final Questions:

Question Campus Master Plan due by October for Forum? Asima said not for that date as do not want to rush the plan.

Question Brampton Master Plan – exercise to accommodate? – Asima said a concept for the garden area space, to share with the city as to what is possible for that area, a vision of the area.