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April 6, 2012

Dave Corliss, City Manager City Hall 6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street Lawrence, KS 66044

Re:

Community Program Advisory Committee Appointments

Learned Hall, Engineering Expansion Phase 2

KU Project No. 088-8941

During the 2011 Legislative Session, the University of Kansas was authorized to proceed with the design and construction of the Learned Hall, Engineering Expansion Phase 2 (also known as LEEP2) on the Lawrence campus. On November 21, 2011 the Department of Commerce released the University to proceed with the project.

The appointment of an official Building Committee and ad hoc Community Program Advisory Committee is needed to complete this task so that the architects will have access to broad-based input into the design of this facility. The purpose of this letter is to provide the basic project information, to solicit representation from the City and to initiate the work of the Community Program Advisory Committee.

The charge to the Building Committee is to work with the project architects to guide the design of the new engineering building addition, which will provide the classroom and laboratory space for the expansion of enrollment, recruitment and retention of students in the KU School of Engineering program. This is the second phase of the growth and development of the engineering program. Phase One was the construction of the Measurement, Materials and Sustainable Environment Center (M2SEC) research building, which is currently nearing completion near Burt Hall, on the southwest corner of the Learned/Eaton Hall engineering site.

The ad hoc Community Program Advisory Committee will be responsible for providing advice to the Building Committee on various design features of the new facility, including its form, texture and materials. In addition, the Community Program Advisory Committee will make recommendations about how to appropriately blend and reflect the mutual interests of both the community and the University in this area of construction. This process is intended to address the needs of the University and to provide a mechanism for meaningful involvement of the community and the neighborhoods. This is an achievable goal, towards which we will work.

Community Program Advisory Committee Learned Hall, Engineering Expansion Phase 2, KU #088-8941 April 6, 2012

A tentative timetable has been established to provide benchmarks to keep this project on schedule. We will work carefully to adhere to this timetable and, at the same time, provide opportunity for meaningful input into the process. The following dates are suggested:

April 2012 - Appoint the Building Committee and Advisory Committees

April 2012 - Initiate the design process

August 2012 - Completion of Schematic Design
November 2012 - Completion of Design Development
November 2012 - Early Construction Package Released
March 2015 - Construction Complete / Occupancy

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Vice Chancellor for Public Affairs

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