

B. Stewardship and Heritage Resources

1. Introduction

This portion of the Facility Standards includes general information on the University's management of their existing resources and its relationship to the Consultant in the course of a project at the University of Chicago.

The University has begun the creation of a set of documents to identify, assess and plan for the disposition of significant campus buildings. The goal is to holistically determine the potential of each building against future development and requirements within the learning and research environment of the University. The HRS Steering Committee will quantify standardized aspects of each building using a decision matrix that evaluates specific characteristics.

2. Heritage Resources Survey (HRS) Process and Resources

The HRS Steering Committee will convene periodically to review all or a subset of the buildings and spaces on campus. The review would best occur in 3-5 year cycles. The HRS Steering Committee will initiate a survey where capital planning has identified a program or physical need. The Committee will determine whether the critical building attributes have been collected, and if they have not been collected, it may commission a detailed review of those buildings and areas.

Triggers to start the HRS process include:

- Capital Projects greater than \$1,000,000
- Routine Maintenance/Updates
- 15-20 Year Building System Assessments
- 30-40 Year Building Assessments
- Significant Alterations
- Demolition
- Documentation of a significant University of Chicago event or recognition of work by a University faculty member.

a) HRS Database

The University's Space Information Management System (SIMS) database has been expanded to include new attributes in support of the HRS. These HRS-developed attributes form a comprehensive set of information that will assist the University in making planning and resource allocation decisions. These attributes are grouped in four data sets:

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- i. Empirical issues about physical condition of building
- ii. Regulatory issues affecting building/ site
- iii. Context: Academic Program
- iv. Context: Cultural/Historic

A comprehensive survey will confirm the accuracy of attributes in the SIMS database and provide additional information to support the HRS. Each building has a Resource Sheet that provides a snapshot of the database attributes at the time of the survey. Resource Sheets are compiled from information in existing University databases.

b) Framework Matrix

The Steering Committee will determine the relative weights between the following categories: Physical Adaptability, Program Adaptability, Accessibility Profile, Building Condition (ISES), Integrity, Campus Culture/Identity, Location- geographical, Location-program/adjacency, Significant features (exterior), Significant features (interior), and Sustainability. After the weighting exercise is complete, the completed matrix serves as a visual summary of the Committee's recommendations.

3. HRS Relationship to Facilities Services

The HRS program and processes will be integrated into Facilities Services processes including planning, capital project delivery, facilities standards and other university-wide processes that intersect with its content or that can provide information critical to its goals. If applicable to the project, the building resource data will also be shared with the Consultant.

4. Project Requirements

On those projects designated as a Heritage Resource, the consultant is to complete a Heritage Resource Survey. The intent is to align project scope with University Stewardship and Heritage goals. An example of the HRS Resource sheet (survey) and HRS Decision Matrix can be found in Volume IV, B. Stewardship and Heritage Resources.

5. References

Information on specific projects would be requested through the FS Project Manager.

Volume IV, C. Stewardship and Heritage Resources.

- 1. Resource Sheet Example
- 2. Framework Matrix Example

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