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FOR INFORMATION:

TO: Planning and Budget Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: 9

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Project Planning Committee for Interdisciplinary Design Studios within the Department of Civil Engineering and the Lassonde Mineral Engineering Program.

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Under the Policy on Capital Planning and Capital Projects, section 5.A, the membership and terms of reference of Project Committees shall be reported to the Planning and Budget Committee.

BACKGROUND:

The Mining Building at the University of Toronto, located at the corner of College Street and King's College Road will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2005. Within the Mining Building, there are currently some 9,000 square feet of space in the attic that is not in use but could be renovated to support important new activities within the Department of Civil Engineering and the Lassonde Mineral Engineering Program. The Mining Building currently houses various Departments within the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering.

The Department of Civil Engineering including the Lassonde Mineral Engineering Program, within the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering is committed to the development of design studios in support of their undergraduate and graduate programs. In addition, the proposed facilities would be used to promote interdisciplinary activities in engineering geo-science and urban engineering design. The renovation of the attic area could be used to accommodate these activities in design. The space requirements for this unique facility are to be determined.

The project could also include the exterior surface cleaning of the Mining Building to enhance the beauty of the architecture and showcase it as a heritage building on College Street in the Discovery District of the City of Toronto.

PROPOSED COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Paul Young	Chair, Dept of Civil Engineering [Co-Chair]
Elizabeth Sisam	Director, Campus and Facilities Planning [Co-Chair]
Paul Gavreau	Professor, Civil Engineering
Will Bawden	Professor, Director of the Lassonde Mineral Engineering Program
Georgette Zinaty	Director of Advancement and Research, Civil Engineering
Ron Swail	Acting Assistant V-P, Facilities and Services
Julian Binks	Manager, Project Planning, Capital Projects
Adam Coulson	Graduate Student
Josh Clelland	Undergraduate Student

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1. Make recommendations and provide a space program for the Interdisciplinary Design Studio with the Department of Civil Engineering.
2. Demonstrate that the proposed space program will take into account the Council of Ontario Universities and the University's own space standards.
3. Provide a layout for the area to be renovated.
4. Assess the complete technical feasibility to fully use the available attic space, including addressing fire safety and accessibility.
5. Consider all relevant fire codes that include extensive use of the attic.
6. Identify all communications requirements, equipment and furnishings.
7. Identify all security and safety requirements and their related costs.
8. Identify the municipal approvals that will be required for the modification of the roof.
9. Provide an estimate of total project costs including construction, data, communication, equipment and furnishings for the project.
10. Identify all sources of funding for the completion of the project.
11. Report by April 30, 2005 or as soon as possible.