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FOR INFORMATION:

TO: Planning and Budget Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: 11(c)

Project Planning Committee to recommend expansion of the Student Centre at the University of Toronto Mississauga

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 University of Toronto Mississauga Student Centre opened in 1999. The facility was funded through a student levy, the university, and a generous contribution from the Ignat Kaneff Charitable Foundation. The student centre is located in a prominent part of the UTM campus and provides a variety of spaces for the exclusive use of the student community. Space programming includes offices for student governments; clubs; social gathering spaces; food services; a student pub as well as production space for UTM's student media.

At the time the Centre was constructed, there were 6,000 undergraduate students on the UTM campus. Since then this population has increased to 10,500 and by the year 2009 is expected to peak at 11,500. Corresponding growth has occurred in the graduate student population. The pressure from increased student numbers coupled with the partial retirement of the student levy funded mortgage repayment has created a strong interest in the expansion of the student centre. The students are interested in re-instating the mortgage repayment component (\$25) of the current levy that is due to be retired. UTM is prepared to match this in the amount of 50 cents against each levy dollar. The funding will allow for expansion, including renovation of existing spaces and will create a larger and more efficient facility for a growing and more diverse student community.

PROPOSED COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

President of the UTMSU (co-chair), TBA Mr. Chris McGrath, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs (co-chair) Mr. Ray deSouza, Chief Administrative Officer, UTM Vice-President, Internal and Services, UTMSU, TBA Vice-President University Affairs and Academics, UTMSU, TBA Vice-President Part-time Affairs UTMSU, TBA President, University of Toronto Mississauga Association of Graduate Students (UTMAGS), TBA President, University of Toronto Mississauga Residence Council, TBA Vice-President, Part-time Affairs UTMSU, TBA President, University of Toronto Mississauga Association of Graduate Students (UTMAGS), TBA President, University of Toronto Mississauga Residence Council, TBA Chairperson, Multifaith Council, UTM, TBA Faculty Member, UTM to be appointed by Dean, UTM, TBA Ms. Christine Capewell, Director, Business Services, UTM Mr. Bill Yasui, Senior Planner, UTM Ms. Jane Ngobia, Diversity, Equity and Leadership Officer. UTM Mr. Ian Whyte, Coordinator of Public Services, UTM Library Ms. Gail Milgrom, Managing Director, Office of the Assistant Vice-President, Campus and Facilities Planning Mr. Julian Binks, Manager, Design, Capital Projects Appointee of the Principal, UTM, TBA Mr. Paull Goldsmith, Director of Facilities, Planning and Management, UTM

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

- 1. Review the current space programme and use of the Student Centre and make recommendations to improve utilization of the existing areas.
- 2. Identify the demand for additional space required to foster greater student activity within the Centre.
- 3. Recommend a space program and demonstrate that it will be consistent with the Council of Ontario Universities' space standards, and the University of Toronto's own space standards.
- 4. Recommend capital expansion required to meet future needs of students in light of student growth and diversity.
- 5. Identify all equipment and furnishings necessary to the project and their costs.
- 6. Identify all resource implications and include a total project cost estimate, increased operating costs, and staging and transition costs related to the construction and renovations planned for the project.
- 7. Identify a funding plan for both capital and operating costs recommended by the Committee.
- 8. Report by December, 2008.