Dear Members of the UCSF Community:

I am pleased to announce the publication of the UC San Francisco Draft 2014 Long Range Development Plan (LRDP). The LRDP is a comprehensive physical-land-use plan that is intended to guide UCSF’s growth and other physical changes through the year 2035, and applies specific strategies to achieve the academic, clinical and research missions of the university.

This document reflects four years of planning, including extensive consultation both within UCSF and with our neighbors. In preparing the Draft LRDP, we explored in detail a variety of potential projects for each campus site, which we discussed at seven community workshops in the Parnassus Heights, Mission Bay, Mount Zion and Mission Center neighborhoods. The current plan reflects the feedback we received in those workshops.

Our main objective for the 2014 LRDP was to accommodate UCSF’s projected program growth over the next two decades within the context of the communities and City in which we work, while promoting environmental sustainability, minimizing facility costs and ensuring that our facilities are seismically safe.

If fully implemented over the next 20 years, the 2014 LRDP would result in an additional 2.3 million gross square feet (gsf) in owned and leased buildings, for a total of 11.58 million gsf across all of UCSF’s sites. The LRDP proposes to accommodate most of this growth in new buildings at Mission Bay, where there is undeveloped land available and infrastructure planned to support such growth. Additional space is proposed in new buildings at UCSF’s Parnassus Heights, Mount Zion and Mission Center campus sites. LRDP proposals for Parnassus Heights also advance UCSF’s work toward meeting the 3.55 million gsf space ceiling imposed by the Regents, while addressing state seismic laws for inpatient facilities by decommissioning Moffitt Hospital as an inpatient facility and building an addition to Long Hospital by 2030.

We also will be publishing a draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on the 2014 LRDP later this year, reflecting the potential environmental impacts of these proposals. Following a 60-day public review period for the EIR, final versions of both the LRDP and the EIR will be submitted to the UC Board of Regents for their review and consideration. Upon adoption by the Regents, the 2014 LRDP will replace UCSF’s 1996 LRDP, as amended.

I encourage you to review this plan, both to understand the university's goals and projections over the next two decades, and to be part of the process of planning our future. The full document can be found at www.ucsf.edu/LRDP and an overview story is posted on the InsideUCSF Faculty/Staff pages.

Please submit your comments to LRDP@planning.ucsf.edu, by September 30, 2014.

Sincerely,

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