Item: Site of Visibility Marker for NPHC, MGC, and UGC

Requesting Department: Student Affairs

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Recommendation/Action Requested: Approval

Summary:
Fraternities and sororities have a long and important tradition at the University of Houston and offer one of the most impactful leadership development experiences designed to enhance the skills necessary to succeed as a UH student and alumni. Specifically, our culturally-based fraternities and sororities have contributed to their members’ success not only by embracing and highlighting their own cultures, but also celebrating the contributions of other cultures and creating a community dedicated to mutual respect, scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship.

The three governing councils for our culturally based fraternities and sororities are the National Pan-Hellenic Council, the Multicultural Greek Council and the United Greek Council. These organizations provide meaningful and life-affirming experiences for students who are Black, Asian interest, South-Asian interest, Hispanic and Multicultural. As the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council have visible representation in the form of Bayou Oaks, our fraternity/sorority housing facility, the other three councils have been working with the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services to establish a visibility marker to both illustrate the commitment these councils and students have to the University while also recognizing the commitment the University has to these students and councils. Student leaders and members of the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Services team have researched sites and similar projects at other campuses.

After reviewing many possible sites for a visibility marker for these three councils, the site we are proposing is the space to the Northwest of Student Center North. This site proximity to Student Center North is very positive, as that is the building home to campus-wide student engagement opportunities at UH.
This item requests approval of the site only. If approved, a landscape architect will be selected to develop conceptual designs for approval by the three governing councils and the CFPC.

7. **Proposed Start Date:**  
    *Upon approval*

8. **Supporting Documentation Description:**  
    *Site location maps*