



**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON
Campus Facilities Planning Committee
Request for Project Approval Form**

1. **Project Number**
2. **Project Name** **Y Building Parking Areas**
3. **Committee Date** **January 14, 2011**
4. **Requesting Department** **Parking and Transportation Services**
5. **Contact Name & Phone Number** **Robert J. Browand, 713.743.5847**
6. **Presenter:** **Robert J. Browand**
7. **Description of Request**

This item requests approval for the use of the area currently occupied by the Y Building for a parking lot. The area is west of Calhoun Lofts and north of Cemo Hall.

Project Overview

This area would be converted to a parking lot until needed for new academic buildings. Landscaping, drainage and lighting will be included as will code blue emergency phones.

The lot will accommodate approximately 130 parking spaces and be available by Spring 2012.

Background Information:

There is an extensive amount of construction currently underway on campus including the Health Biomedical Building, University Center Expansion, Stadium Parking Garage, new housing complexes, Central Utilities Plant Expansion and the Metro SE Light Rail line. Each of these projects will eliminate existing parking lots and increase parking demand. Because of that additional parking garages and surface parking lots need to be developed.

The Y Building is deteriorating and needs to be demolished- something the Campus Facilities Planning Committee endorsed several years ago. Current Y Building occupants are being relocated and should be in other locations by the end of this semester. After that is completed the building will be demolished with the site to be cleared by this Fall.

Once cleared this building site would make a good site for additional parking. It would provide additional parking in the core of campus including parking to serve Cemo Hall and the new Classroom and Business building. It will also partially replace parking lost in this portion of campus with the construction of the Central Utilities Plant Expansion and Calhoun Lofts. Finally it would be an appropriate use until the site was needed for and funds raised to construct new academic and support facilities.

The use of this area for a parking lot was submitted to and approved by the Transportation and Parking Advisory Committee and by Campus Recreation. Long Term use of this site will be considered as part of the UH Masterplan.

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| 8. | Cost of Project | Approximately \$100K |
| 9. | Source of Funding: | Parking Revenue |
| 10. | Proposed Start Date: | Upon demolition of the Y Building and clearance of the Site |

Date: _____

Spencer Moore
Executive Director
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Attachments