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**DATE:** January 28, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Presentation of the Tennessee Technological University

Master Plan Update

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Approval

The Tennessee Technological University (TTU) Master Plan Update will be presented to the Commission by Mr. Carl Manka from the Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR). The plan provides a comprehensive guide for the future growth and development of the TTU campus with short, medium and long range visions focusing on development areas for student housing, the science complex, and athletics.

The plan provides options for the arrangement of a future science complex including buildings for Chemistry and Biology, which would then influence the location of future housing and parking. The 2004 Master Plan intended to phase out on-campus housing, whereas this update seeks to reverse that trend and provide more student housing options on campus. Therefore, the TTU Master Plan envisions renovations of several major housing locations including the Capitol Quad and Tech Village Apartments. In addition, several future student athletic facilities will be added from time to time in an area designated for them and funded through the Tennessee State School Bond Authority (TSSBA).

TTU's Centennial Celebration is scheduled to be held in 2015 and the Master Plan update envisions two campus improvements to commemorate the anniversary: a Centennial Fountain to be located at the south end of the main TTU academic quad and, if possible, a roundabout with a bell tower located on the site of the current Foster Hall.

Further details will be included in the TBR presentation. The TTU Campus Master Plan has been thoroughly reviewed and THEC staff recommends it for approval.