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Mr. Turtenwald:

I am writing as follow up to the meeting we had in January with regard to the possibility of the University seeking vacation and/or abandonment of some City streets in the vicinity of Campus.

The University has successfully closed on the purchase of the blue house located at 513 14th Street North. The tenants living there need to vacate by the end of April. At that time, we intend to do a series of environmental tests, working towards demolition of the structure in June or July. We will work with the City Departments on documenting the appropriate cutting and capping of utilities that serve the structure now. We intend to use that area for green space and additional temporary parking.

Please let this letter serve as our official request to begin proceedings to close and vacate 14th Street North from Badger Street to Farwell Street and Farwell Street from 14th Street North to Oakland Street. These streets are represented with purple dashed lines on the map included. In addition, we would also like to request vacation of two sections of streets that have previously been closed to traffic. Those streets would be 16th Street North from Vine Street to Badger Street and Badger Street from 16th Street North to Oakland Street. These streets are represented with green dashed lines on the map included. We do realize that there are City owned underground utilities in many of these locations, which will require ongoing utility easements. We do not plan to build structures over any of these street locations, but we would like to create either more green space or more pedestrian friendly walkways for our students, staff and visitors.

Let me know what next steps I would need to take to move this process ahead. I would be happy to meet with you or any other City staff as needed. You can reach me by phone at 608-785-8916 or by email at sschumacher@uwlax.edu. We would like to move ahead with these proceedings as soon as possible. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely



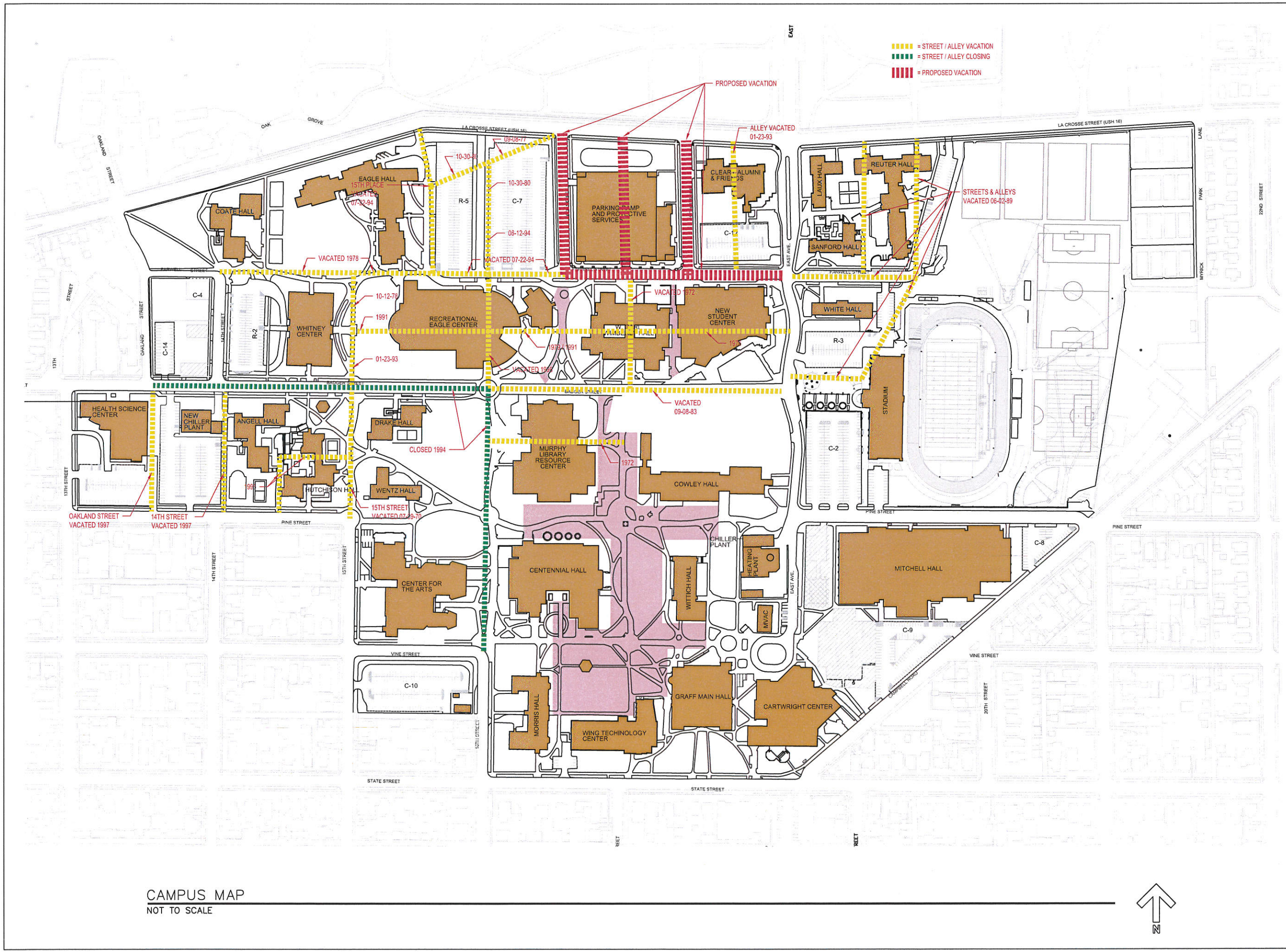
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