

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES

B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee

Renaming Replacement Residence Halls as Terry Hall, Lander Hall, and Mercer Court

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee that the Board of Regents approve renaming three replacement residence halls as Terry Hall, Lander Hall, and Mercer Court.

BACKGROUND

Phases II and III of the Housing Master Plan include the demolition and reconstruction of several existing buildings and construction of two new buildings. This renaming proposal retains the current names of Lander, Terry, and Mercer in recognition of their historical and commemorative significance.

Approval by the President and the University Names Committee was requested and received to use some variation of historic and commemorative names in the reconstructed buildings. From those approved names, the Vice President and Vice Provost for the Office of Student Life, in conjunction with Housing & Food Services, selected the names proposed below:

<u>Current Name</u>	<u>Proposed Name</u>
Lander Hall	Lander Hall
Terry Hall plus addition	Terry Hall
Mercer Hall plus Site 29	Mercer Court

According to the current Facilities and Spaces Naming Policy, use of names on replacement facilities must be approved by the Board of Regents:

**2. Individual/Family Naming Guidelines**

**A. Buildings or Outdoor Areas**

- 4) The name will remain on the building or outdoor area for the life of the building or area (subject to [Section 2.A.1](#)). If at some future time the building or area is replaced (which may include a major reconstruction that substantially changes the functions/appearance of a building's interior and exterior), the name may or may not be carried on the replacement facility as approved by the Board of Regents. If the name is not used on the replacement facility, the Board of Regents will determine the appropriate recognition to be incorporated into the new building or area.

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The Facilities and Spaces Naming Policy also states that “Buildings named for an individual or family generally will be termed ‘[blank] Hall’.” An exception to the policy is requested so that the new Mercer building can be called Mercer Court because of its signature element of three landscaped courtyards, its construction as apartments rather than a residence hall, and its similarity to its neighbor, Stevens Court.

Housing & Food Services plans to continue the use of tree names as functional names for two new buildings being constructed as part of Phases II and III. New Center will be called Maple, and the new building to be constructed on Site 30 will be called Madrona. The Facilities and Spaces Naming Policy does not require Regental approval for functional naming; they are noted here for information only.

#### PREVIOUS REGENT ACTIONS

In 1956, the Board of Regents approved naming two units of a new Men’s Dormitory group after Mr. Charles C. Terry and Judge Edward Lander who, jointly with Mr. Arthur A. Denny, for whom the first building on the present campus was named, donated ten acres of land for the establishment of the original campus.

In 1970, the Board of Regents approved the naming of Residence Hall Unit V as Asa Mercer Hall in memory of the first president of the University.

#### REVIEW AND APPROVALS

In accordance with University procedures, the University Names Committee, the Vice President and Vice Provost for Student Life, and the President have reviewed and approved this request.

#### *Attachments*

1. April 20, 2011 Letter to University Names Committee (with map)
2. December 7, 2011 Letter of Approval from the University Names Committee with concurrence from President Young



April 20, 2011

Sandra Archibald  
Chair, University Names Committee  
Dean and Professor, Evans School of Public Affairs  
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Dear Sandy:

On behalf of the Department of Housing & Food Services, I am seeking approval from the University Names Committee to retain the current names, or a variant of them, for four of the buildings that will be constructed in Phase II and III of the Housing Master Plan (HMP) and to use temporary, "placeholder" names for the two remaining buildings to be constructed.

Please refer to the following page for a rendering of the six building sites.

1. New Lander – This building could retain the name Lander Hall or be called Lander Place or Lander Center. The name has positive recognition, serves as an already known location and continues to pay honor to Seattle history. Center or Place recognizes the regional desk located in this building as a main hub for services in west campus.
2. Site 29 – This building could retain the name Mercer for the same reasons as above. The second part of the name could be changed from Hall to Court to reflect the large complex of buildings. Court continues the theme begun in Stevens Court and recognizes the feature courtyard of new Mercer. The five buildings should be labeled A-E, which is also consistent with Stevens Court.
3. Terry and New Terry – These buildings could be called Terry Hall and Terry Apartments. The name has positive recognition, serves as an already known location and may aid in finding the HFS offices. The second name designator distinguishes the upperclassmen housing in the Terry Apartments; this apartment building will be very different from the original building and consequently should be distinguished from the original Terry Hall building.
4. The two remaining buildings on site 30 and New Center could receive temporary names until official names are provided. We recommend using tree names as was done for the Phase I buildings. The committee suggests Maple for New Center and Madrona for site 30.

ATTACHMENT 1

Thank you for your consideration, and if there are questions, please let me know.

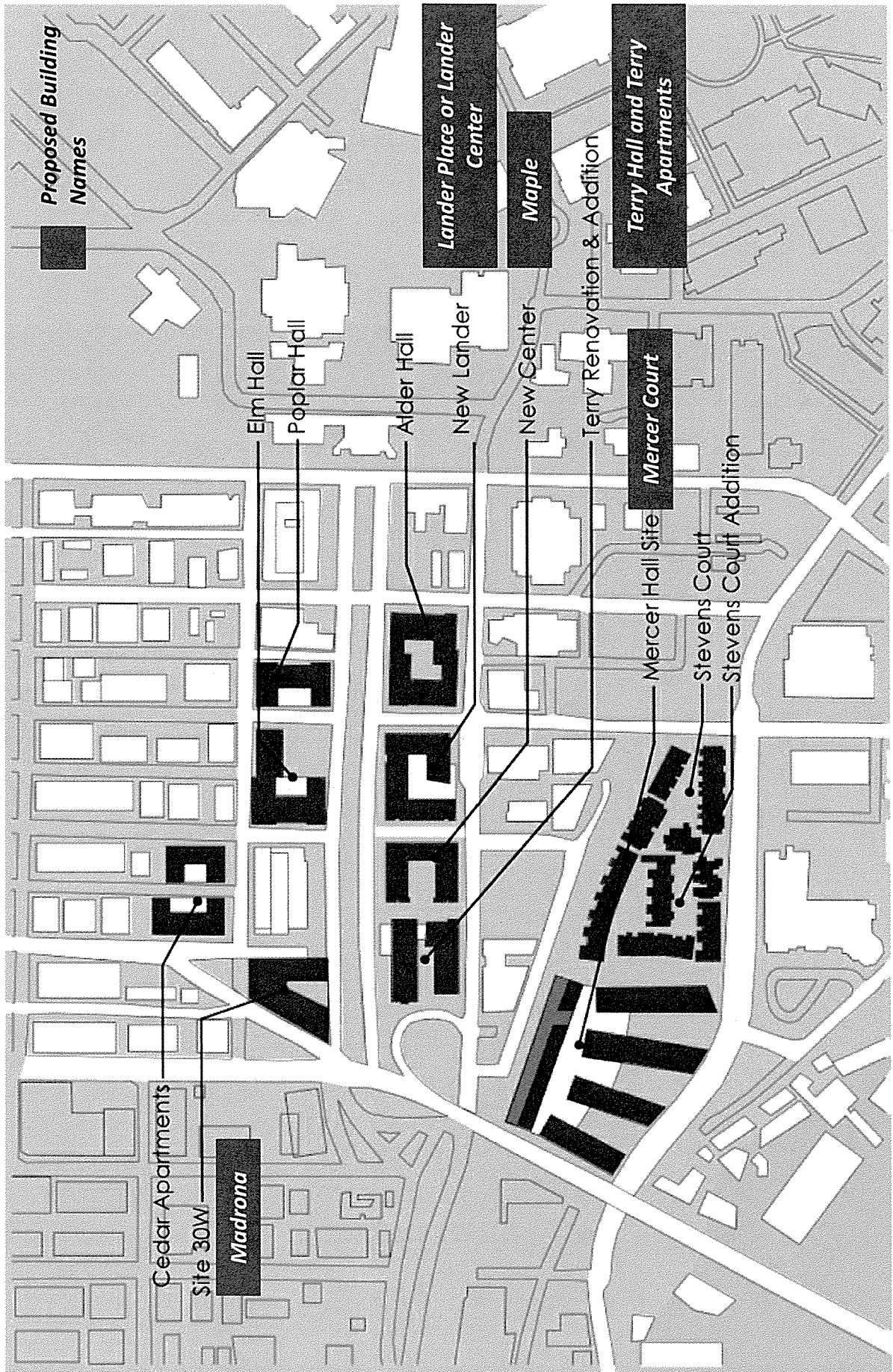
Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Godfrey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E" and a stylized "G".

Eric S. Godfrey  
Vice President & Vice Provost

cc: Pam Schreiber, Director of Housing and Food Services

# Naming Recommendations for Phase II and Phase III Buildings



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December 7, 2011

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Dear Eric,

I am pleased to inform you that President Young has concurred with the University Names Committee recommendation for approval of your request to retain the current names, or variants thereof, for four of the buildings under construction in Phase II and III of the Housing Master Plan, and to use temporary names for the two remaining buildings still in design development phase. As you proposed, New Lander will acquire the name "Lander Hall," "Lander Place," or "Lander Center"; the new housing currently under construction on Site 29 will acquire the name "Mercer Hall" or "Mercer Court"; and Terry and New Terry will be called "Terry Hall" and "Terry Apartments." Student housing currently under construction on Site 30 and the New Center will receive temporary "tree" names, "Madrona" and "Maple" respectively.

As you know, the Board of Regents approves the naming of exterior space (UW Handbook, Vol. 4, Chap. 10, Sect. 1). Typically, requests for regental approval would issue from the nominating office. We invite you to review the full instructions at <http://www.washington.edu/regents/meetings/>

If I can be of any further assistance, please consider me at your service.

Sincerely,



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