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Question 5 - What changes would you like to see in the next five years? The next 10 years?

Parking within close proximity to place of employment. Reserved spots at a low cost. It is absolutely ridiculous to pay so much for parking and not be guaranteed a spot, or to have to walk far in inclement weather.

Parking for commuter students is even more ridiculous.

Replace Student Accounts building. House – cashiers, Student Accounts, Financial Aid.

Set building from Warehouse to more private offices to discuss financial matters without whole building knowing private information.

Large scale renewable energy installation.

A new Metcalf School – old building and congestion!

Parking north of student services - purchase Weavers or the gas station.

I would like to see some more schools. I would like to see more graduate options like a dental school or law school.

Atkin-Colby and Hamilton-Whitten demolition.

Intramural complex at Gregory Street fields.

Outdoor Adventure Relocation- ideally expansion of Student Fitness and Kinesiology Recreation to include this component.

Relocation of Metcalf School to Gregory Street Property and possibly University High School.

Relocation of Department of Audiology connected to Metcalf. Renovate facility or demolish and recreate.

(Five years) - walking paths and healthier eating options closer to campus.

Interactive paths.

Points to consider: What will our community and world look like in 10/20 years? Who will our students be and what will their needs be? What will technology look like and how will it influence how we live? Etc.

Entrances and identities should be established quickly.

“Neighborhood” planning and establishment.

Welcome Center or visitor identity.

Planning for 220 N. Main, Weavers, etc; that town/gown mix use does not make sense in this location.

Street car-North and South University district created the comprehensive multi-modal transit incorporated into larger regional plan with ISU as primary stakeholder and author. Create business energy tax credit pass through program with Illinois Department of Energy.

Less concrete parking lots in and around the center of campus.

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Move parking out!

Close University Street for foot traffic (or part if cannot move Metcalf School. (five years)

Correct dangerous stands on East side of football stadium. (five years)

Work for more sustainable choices (roof water filtration for toilets (Brown water)). (five years)

Add more courts to Student Fitness and Kinesiology Recreation Center-not enough even now. (10 years)

Find ways to draw students to Bone Student Center. (10 years)

Old buildings replaced.

Full use of the Alumni Center; move appropriate departments to this building such as Human Resources.

Easier access to faculty parking. Lots are not far, but my walking pattern takes 10-plus minutes daily (each way). This can waste 40 minutes of every day.

More affordable parking. I refuse to pay \$300 for access to a space in the garage. Surface lots are expensive enough.

More access to construction and planning updates. For a short time this past summer, my walking path had to change a few times a week. I would have been more than happy to check daily online.

I am always interested in planning updates. Perhaps a place to visit online that has a blog or video of planning meetings.

I would like to see more articulation between campus and the east, west, and north borders of campus. This is already happening on the east with us taking space near the Marriott. The north border is fuzzy in a not so great way. I would like to see more of a border and less bleeding into faculty-ghetto/fraternity row. I do not particularly like the look of Main Street right now with lots of disorganized commercial space that is visually unappealing and dissimilar to each other. There is less that could be done on the south, but could we acquire the commercial property between the new chiller building and the Vernon Avenue/Beaufort Street intersection? This is another ugly space that could be much better built and used.

Signage (five years)

Annexation of private housing immediate to campus for more centralized growth. (10 years)

Updated laboratory schools – University High School and Metcalf School.

Development of the Gregory Street athletic fields – lights, more space, etc.

Would love to see more advancements/updates to the Bone Student Center as well as a sustainability plan/future plans for more recreations space.

Expand the Bone Student Center by connecting to Bowling Billiards Center.

More intentional design and programming to make Uptown Normal part of the “campus” experience and vice versa.

Completion of priority building projects (e.g. Hancock Stadium, Center for the Performing Arts, Milner, College of Education, Mennonite College of Nursing).

Ideally, since we cannot expand the Quad, reference the Quad concept in other expansion plans.

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More LEED certification building/new.

Greater attention to making all of campus easily accessible without cars.

Extensive work on Gregory Street fields within the next five years.

Repair the life and safety issues.

More integration of service learning opportunities with campus operations.

Separate and expand engineering and construction on campus.

Improve media abilities.

Work on campus identity.

Changes to Cardinal Court (replacement or relocation). (five years)

Relocation of Police Department to 500 Beech facility. (five years)

Braden renovation. (five years)

Relocation of Metcalf School. (10 years)

Milner Library renovation. (10 years)

Bone Student Center atmosphere more for students to gather (five years)

Making history more apparent in Bone Student Center, Milner Library, etc. (five years)

Improve golf practice area. (five years)

A distinguished "front door". (five years)

Enlarge and improve industrial technology facility. (10 years)

Renovations and new addition to Milner Library are sorely needed. Include a real solution that will permanently fix leaks. Include a coffee bar and auditorium.

A pond or water feature on the Quad would really enhance the campus atmosphere. Maybe a stream running down the Quad with a waterfall.

Redevelopment of Horton Field House and Hancock Stadium. Extensive planning on Willow, Main Street, College Avenue, School Street campus.

Emphasis on the Bone Student Center/Braden facility with needed updates at the facility.

Continued exploration of a greater presence on Main Street and in Uptown Normal.

Increased pedestrian, bike, and bus amenities.

Bone Student Center renovation (1st floor: restaurants, common area) (2nd floor: meeting spaces, ballrooms).

Green space for recreation fields on campus.

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Co-op apartment spaces with Town of Normal.

Additional residence hall space.