William Rainey Harper College
Master Plan
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Our Presentation Outline

- Insights from Strategic Plan Retreat
- Creative Analysis:
  Site and Open Spaces
- Schedule
- Q & A
• College will need to grow
  Campus will need to meet needs for more students, courses, parking

• College must serve a more diverse population
  Campus must welcome and support a broader group

• Student aspirations and student success are key
  Campus needs to help inspire as well as to be more convenient

• “Permeability” – clear pathways, transparency
  Barriers are torn down, move seamlessly, reweaving social fabric

• College must become more efficient
  “More learning per square foot”
Site Analysis

- Campus has “good bones”
- Natural surroundings, cluster of buildings around open spaces
- Avante and Performing Arts are updates to the campus image
- Campus could take more advantage of natural features
Topography
Issues

- Entry too far from the arrival point
- Spaces on the campus are very large
- But overall campus scale is walkable
- Trees do little to shield winter winds or enhance sense of place
- Parking can contribute to sustainability
Arrival Too Far From Entry
Potential Surface Parking Lot Reductions
- The campus is divided into academic and admin/service zones
- Campus leadership is at the edge
- Should admin and services be the “bridge” in the center of the campus?
Students and visitors arrive at all sides

The best sense of “place” is at the south

Avante is an arrival opportunity