North Mesa Community Meeting Agenda

1. Introductions
   a. UC Staff and Guests
   b. Resident sign-in sheet

2. Purpose and guidelines
   a. Desire to establish a dialog between Residents and Staff to help keep the residents of the Mesa Community informed regarding redevelopment
   b. To establish preferred forms of communication, best suited for all residents of the community
   c. To establish realistic expectations for information sharing and involvement

3. Responses to specific concerns raised in the Resident letter to HDH and at the previous community meeting

   a) Amenities and Design in this and Future Housing Projects

   **Concern:** Will there be family friendly design, with green spaces and places for residents to hang out?

   **Answer:** We are creating a new play area next to ECEC opening in November. There will be a brief period where the North Mesa playground is shutdown (approx. 2 weeks) before the Central Mesa playground opens. Mesa Nueva will feature a play area opening in October. A community garden area will also be opening in October at Mesa Nueva. Green spaces are a consideration in each new development.

   b) Communication

   **Concern:** Lack of information consistent communication.

   **Answer:** A communication plan has been formulated to keep the neighborhood up to date on construction impacts and timelines as follows:

   - Website: We have broken out a specific button on our website [https://hdh.ucsd.edu/arch/pages/News.html#construction](https://hdh.ucsd.edu/arch/pages/News.html#construction) related to construction updates. Construction information will be updated weekly.
   - Emails: Weekly emails with updates to community members.
   - Flyers/postings: Flyers and postings weekly in laundry rooms, community rooms and elevators.
   - Community Meetings: Creating an academic year calendar with monthly community meetings so you can plan in advance to attend.
   - Individual concerns: We’re happy to meet with you in person.
c) Construction Timeline

**Concern:** We have not been provided a specific timeline of construction for the area impacting North Mesa.

**Answer:** Construction start date is March 23, 2018. All units must be completely vacant before this time. Before this deadline building preparations, selected site preparations and roadwork will be taking place in North Mesa.

**Concern:** Why has the project accelerated?

**Answer:** University leadership noted that more housing would be required to address the waiting list of approximately 3000 students and accelerated the plan to address the need sooner for more students overall.

d) North Mesa Relocation

**Concern:** What is the deadline for North Mesa relocation?

**Answer:** Construction begins March 23, 2018.

**Concern:** Why move now?

**Answer:** During the summer there are more vacancies and which provides you with more options to choose from. North Mesa relocations receive priority above anyone else. There is no waiting list. North Mesa relocates can choose from Central Mesa, South Mesa, OMS and Rita vacancies.

**Concern:** I can’t afford a more expensive option.

**Answer:** We are working with Campus leadership to review opportunities in this complicated request.

**Concern:** How can you make my transition easier?

**Answer:** Personalized care in relocating including assisting you through the process and choosing your new home. We are happy to meet with you individually to ensure we are answering all your concerns. Moving services are being covered by the University which include packing items, moving to your new ARCH home and placing items your new apartment.

e) Temp Housing for Transfer Students

**Concern:** Why are undergraduate students here?

**Answer:** This is a separate issue due to having more undergraduate students with a guarantee than there are beds on campus. This situation was unexpected and all other options have been considered and/or implemented. These are incoming transfer students, not first year students. This solution is temporary and UGs are being relocated back to campus as soon as a space is available.