Local Council met with the City Council to establish a network of bike and pedestrian trails that connect directly with transit stations, schools, businesses, and other facilities. The planning effort will also consider the need for more bike racks and covered bike parking and design the campus and campus utilities to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities.

Non-Motorized Transportation Study

A comprehensive campus plan produced in 1982 by architect/planner Peter Rose was revised in 1994. The plan has contributed to the creation of new and unique relationships between the MU Campus and other parts of Columbia, with MU playing a major role in the development of new transportation and land-use policies. The plan has helped to create a network of bike and pedestrian trails that connect to transit stations, schools, businesses, and other facilities.

Southwest Gateway Planning Study Area

Implementation of the plan is underway, with the completion of a comprehensive land-use plan for the Southwest Gateway, 51 acres bounded by North College Avenue, Broadway, University Avenue, and Walt Monk Drive (2004). The area is located at the west edge of the campus and includes the existing architectural and natural resources. The plan is a comprehensive plan for the area and includes a comprehensive land-use plan, a comprehensive transportation plan, and a comprehensive economic plan.

MU campus bike trails and walkways are at the hub of the City of Columbia’s “PedNet: Connecting Columbia” project to create a network of bike and pedestrian facilities, including 71 acres of land, 144,000 square feet of building space, and 7 million square feet of space. The construction of pedestrian bridges over Providence Road and College Avenue will provide a new and unique relationship between the MU Campus and other parts of Columbia, with MU playing a major role in the development of new transportation and land-use policies.