New Facilities Planning – Timeline of Significant Events

2007 (January-June)
The dental school’s strategic plan, Advancing Greatness, is developed and finalized through the work of a Strategic Plan Committee and school-wide input. It provides a road map to move the school to even higher levels of national and international prominence.

2007 (January and continuing)
Academy for Academic Leadership hired to consult with school community about strategic plan development and implementation.

2007 (Fall) through 2008
Dental school’s Strategic Plan Implementation Task Force is formed to identify action steps to fulfill the plan. Recommended steps included a review of the curriculum, clinical enhancements, formation of a facility master plan, and many other implementation steps.

2008
The dental school partners with Gensler, a global architecture firm, to conduct an extensive analysis of the school’s current facilities. The analysis, known as the Facilities Strategy Study, provides options for the future, including the option for a move to new facilities.

2009 (July)
Dr. Pamela A. Eibeck joins as University of the Pacific’s new president. During her term, she demonstrates support for the dental school to investigate new facilities.

2009 (December)
Board of Regents forms facility subcommittee to oversee San Francisco facility planning.

2010 (January)
Board of Regents’ facility subcommittee approves exploration of new facilities based on recommendations from Gensler report.

2010 (July)
Design firm Kahler Slater is hired to perform a pre-design space planning and facility programming study.

2010 (July-November)
Kahler Slater hosts visioning and brainstorming sessions for groups of faculty, students and staff to identify specific needs for the dental school’s future facilities.

2010 (September)
Real estate advisors hired (Grubb & Ellis now known as Newmark Knight Frank Cornish & Carey Commercial).

2010 (November – December)
Fundraising campaign feasibility study conducted by Marts & Lundy.

2011 (January)
Board of Regents gives approval for the dental school to explore the option of relocation within the city and approves dental school capital fundraising campaign.

2011 (March)
Purchase agreement signed for 155 Fifth Street in San Francisco’s South of Market (SoMa) neighborhood.

2011 (May)
Nova Partners hired as construction project management firm.
2011 (August)
Other key project partners are announced including SmithGroupJJR (lead architect) and Plant Construction (general contractor).

2011 (September)
Appointment of Transition Team to coordinate logistics of a future school move.

2011 (November)
Sale of 155 Fifth Street building officially closes and is publicly announced.

2012 (January)
Groundbreaking ceremony held for Board of Regents and other select guests before construction begins.

2012 (January)
Student housing apartment complex on Post Street is sold.

2012 (June)
Pelton & Crane selected as dental equipment and technology partner.

2012 (July)
Margaret and Dr. Ron Redmond ’66 sign $5 million lead gift to new facility fundraising campaign.

2012 (August) – 2014 (February)
Major renovation and construction takes place on the 155 Fifth Street structure.

2012 (October)
Board of Regents approves list of gift namings for new facility.

2013 (Spring)
Commercial tenant space at 155 Fifth Street goes on market for lease.

2013 (June)
Young Office selected as furniture and workstation equipment partner.

2013 (June)
2155 Webster Street building is sold to Trumark Urban.

Upcoming Milestones
2014 (February)
The school to take possession of 155 Fifth Street.

2014 (March)
- Building dedication ceremony to be held for Board of Regents, University representatives, dental school community, civic leaders and other guests (March 7).
- Fundraising campaign to be publicly announced.
- Initial move of employees into 155 Fifth Street.

2014 (June)
The remainder of employees and functions to move into 155 Fifth Street.

2014 (July)
- Classes and clinics to start operations at 155 Fifth Street.
- Decommissioning/handover of 2155 Webster Street building to Trumark Urban.