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Proposal to locate Free Periodical Racks at the University Center Complex as Part of a Campus-Wide Free Periodical Rack Upgrade

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Project Overview

At the April and July Campus Facilities Planning Committee meetings, requests were presented to prohibit free magazine racks and newspaper vending boxes at building entries. Approximately 27 racks in 15 outdoor locations were affected.

Committee approval was also requested to standardize interior free publication racks to a single multi-paper style. Student Affairs, including Residential Life and Housing, and M. D. Anderson Library agreed to adopt a standard, and Facilities Planning & Construction will submit a rack design to these groups for approval.

Racks may be located at C stores and areas where coffee is sold. Locations in the UC, UC Satellite, residential lounges, and the library, will require the approval of Student Affairs and M. D. Anderson Library. Alternate locations must be approved by the Office of Student Affairs.

"For-purchase" newspapers, such as the Houston Chronicle and Wall Street Journal, will be offered over the counter at the same locations.

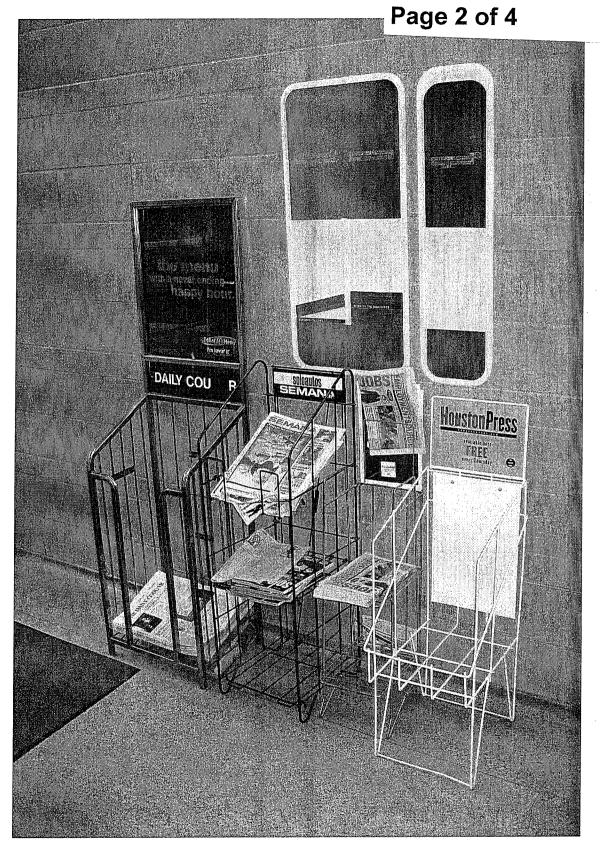
Language governing the free newspaper racks appearance and locations will be submitted for inclusion in the Manual of Administrative Policies and Procedures and added to the Campus Design Guidelines and Standards.

Proposed Design

The proposed newspaper rack design matches the style of information kiosks designed by the local graphics firm, the Douglas|Group for Campus Information Technology. Six of the information kiosks have been located in the Welcome Center area.

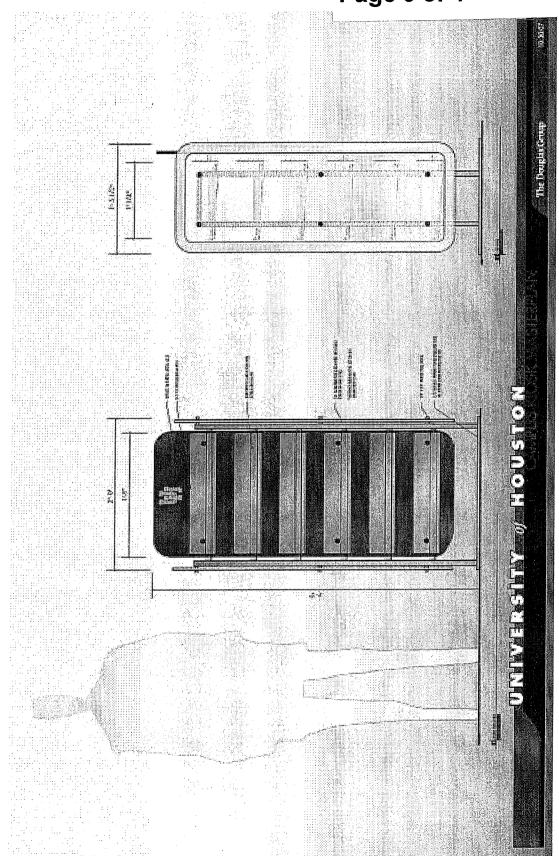
Like the kiosks, the racks will be constructed of durable materials, including powder-coated textured steel and frosted scratch-resistant plexiglass. Racks will typically be placed against a wall and may chained by the support leg to prevent relocation.

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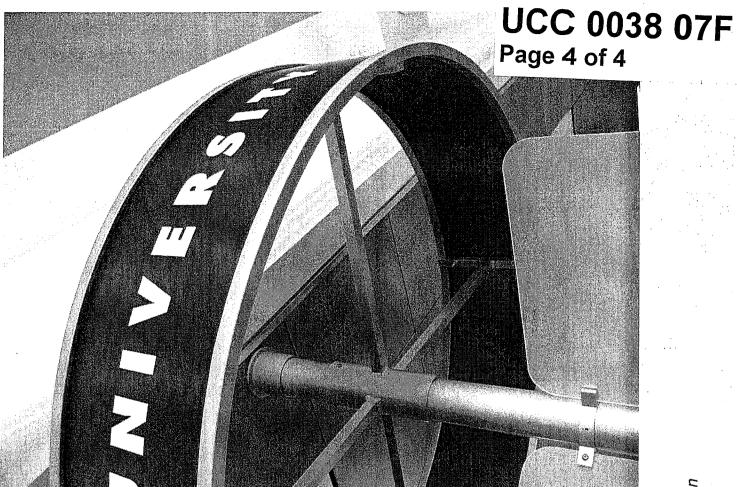


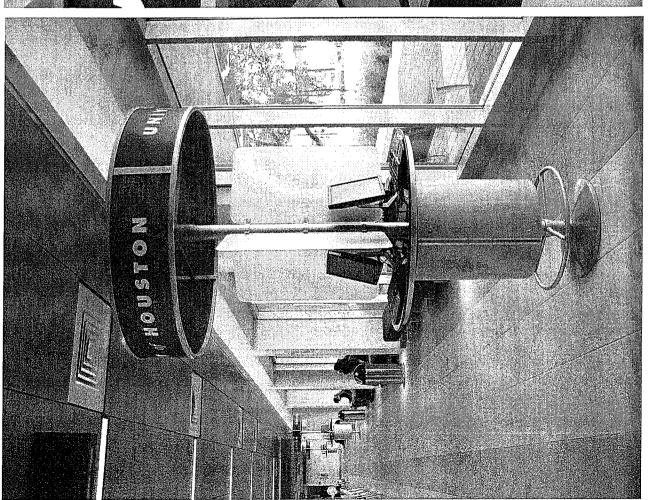
Existing Free Periodical Racks

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Examples of Proposed Rack Materials as used in Information Kiosks at the Welcome Center.