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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Student Activities Building Renovation

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Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:


In September 2001, the President's Commission on the Undergraduate Experience recommended changes in administrative support and the physical infrastructure of the campus to improve the experience of undergraduates navigating the campus. One step towards this goal is to make administrative services more accessible to current and prospective students. Many of these services are located within the Student Activities Building (SAB) on Central Campus. The renovation of this building will make student services easier to find and more student-friendly.

A 40,000 gross square foot renovation of the SAB is planned to improve the functionality of the public areas and selected departmental spaces within the building. The project will also address infrastructure improvements and code and accessibility requirements. The completed renovations will enable students and visitors to find and use the services within the building, as well as improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Offices of Admissions, Student Financial Operations, and Financial Aid. The amount of renovation will range from primarily cosmetic changes in some areas, to a comprehensive remodeling in other areas. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$8,500,000. This project is part of a Fiscal Year 2005 Supplemental Capital Outlay Request to the State of Michigan. If approved, the State will fund approximately two-thirds of the project and the University will fund the balance with investment proceeds. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues and authorized by the Regents. The architectural firm of Gensler Architecture, Design & Planning Worldwide will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Student Activities Building Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning Gensler Architecture, Design & Planning Worldwide for its design.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chief Financial Officer

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