

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories Renovation

Action

Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

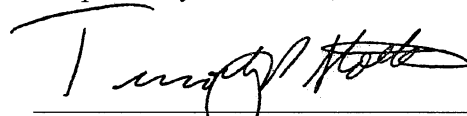
Background:

Constructed in 1958, the approximately 220,000-gross-square-foot George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories building houses the chemical, civil, materials sciences, and mechanical engineering departments within the College of Engineering. The college proposes a renovation of the entire building that will create state-of-the-art academic and instructional spaces; upgrade the building's heating, ventilation, air conditioning, electrical, and life-safety systems; replace the exterior windows to improve energy efficiency; improve accessibility; and provide new finishes in public spaces. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. We will return with information on the impact on parking when we seek approval of schematic design.

The estimated cost of the project is \$47,000,000. This project is part of the fiscal year 2011 capital outlay request to the State of Michigan. Once construction is authorized by the state legislature, the state will fund approximately \$30,000,000 and the university will fund the balance with investment proceeds and resources from the College of Engineering and the Office of the Provost. 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 Board of Regents. The architectural firm of Integrated Design Solutions LLC 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 Board of Regents approve the George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning Integrated Design Solutions LLC for its design.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Financial Officer

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