## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Approved by the Regents October 13, 2011

Subject:

Yost Ice Arena

Seating Replacement and Fan Amenities Improvement

Action

Requested:

Approval of Schematic Design and Authorization to Issue Contracts for Early

**Procurement Packages** 

## Background:

At the June 2011 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the Yost Ice Arena Seating Replacement and Fan Amenities Improvement project and the appointment of the firm of Rossetti Architecture Inc. for its design. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is proposing a project that will replace the spectator seating on the east, south, and west sides of the rink, improving accessibility as well as emergency egress. The project also includes improvements to the east and west concourses, conversion of the level four west side media balcony into a series of loge boxes, a new level five on the west side for media, as well as new corner and stair platforms for additional seating. Infrastructure improvements will be made, including upgrading the existing fire alarm system, extending the existing fire suppression system to areas not currently protected, and replacing the exterior windows. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. Although there will be a temporary loss of some adjacent parking spaces during construction, there will be no permanent impact on parking from this project.

To achieve the overall project schedule completion of fall of 2012, we propose awarding early procurement packages to allow the window and bleacher fabrication to get underway. We will return to the Board of Regents to seek approval for bids and awarding construction contracts as is our normal process.

The estimated cost of the project is \$14,000,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department resources. 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.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the schematic design for the Yost Ice Arena Seating Replacement and Fan Amenities Improvement project as presented at the meeting, and authorize issuing contracts for early procurement packages provided those bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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