

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Literature, Science and the Arts (LS&A) Building  
Renovation Project

Action Requested: Approval Revised Budget and Schematic Design

Background

At the July 1999 meeting, the Regents approved the LS&A Building renovation project for \$25,000,000 as part of the State capital outlay Central Campus Renovation Phase II project. The LS&A building renovation schedule was slowed down by the renovations for West, Mason, and Haven Halls. As these other projects draw to a close, we now have nearby temporary space to allow the LS&A Building to be vacated and renovated. The LS&A Building is the last building renovation project included in the Central Campus Renovation Phase II project.

The LS&A Building was constructed in 1948 and is in need of significant work to address the infrastructure needs of the building. The project will involve the total building renovation of approximately 126,000 gross square feet, updating the mechanical and electrical systems including heating and ventilation. Air-conditioning will be added to the building and accessibility throughout the building will be improved to meet current codes. Fire detection and fire suppression systems will also be installed to meet current codes.

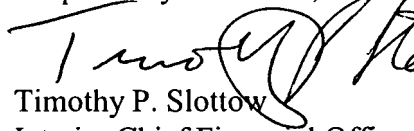
In order to upgrade the building's mechanical systems and provide air-conditioning, the project will require the installation of large fan units, ductwork, and other significant mechanical devices. To house this equipment, approximately 9,000 gross square feet of space will be constructed on the roof of the building to accommodate new mechanical penthouses.

The building is proposed to function generally as it has in the past, housing the core functions of the College of LS&A administration and provide space for some of the College's academic and support functions. An increase in project scope will allow minimal space reconfiguration to meet programmatic needs and to create three new classrooms. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

To accommodate programmatic changes that are incremental to the original project, we are proposing to increase the budget by \$1,000,000 to \$26,000,000. Funding of approximately \$15,000,000 will be provided by the State of Michigan, \$2,000,000 from the College of LS&A, and the balance from Central Administration. 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.

We recommend the Regents approve the revised budget and the schematic design as presented for the Literature, Science and the Arts Building Renovation Project.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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