Subject: East Quadrangle
Residential College Auditorium Renewal

Action
Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Residential College Auditorium addition to East Quadrangle was completed in 1970 and is utilized as a classroom, a venue for musical and theatrical performances, and for poetry readings. A renovation of approximately 11,300 gross square feet will provide technology upgrades, lighting improvements, improvements to the stage and seating areas, and renewed architectural finishes. Additional work, including the installation of a vertical lift, will provide accessibility upgrades to meet current codes and standards, including those set by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Life safety improvements will include creation of a second fire exit leading to the exterior, and the air handling unit will be replaced to increase performance and energy efficiency. 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 $2,100,000. Funding will be provided from gifts, General Fund resources, and College of Literature, Science, and the Arts 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 Regents. The University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2009.

We recommend that the Regents approve the East Quadrangle Residential College Auditorium Renewal project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy P. Slottow
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

February 2009