ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Hutchins Hall and William W. Cook Legal Research Library Law School Renovation Phase II

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

With the opening of South Hall, there is vacated space in Hutchins Hall and the William W. Cook Legal Research Library that can now be renovated. The scope of this project focuses on the renovation and updating of the vacated spaces as well as the overall organization of the Law School, encompassing approximately 30,000 gross square footage of space. 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 $7,000,000. Funding will be provided from Office of the Provost resources and Law School resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or 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 SmithGroup will design the project. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to the academic calendar with construction to be completed in summer of 2013.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Hutchins Hall and William W. Cook Legal Research Library Law School Renovation Phase II project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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