Subject: Transportation Operations and Maintenance Facility

Action Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

The Transportation Services Building houses the bus and motor pool vehicle maintenance functions of the Department of Parking and Transportation Services. Since its construction in 1974, the bus fleet has grown 45 percent and the vehicle fleet by 140 percent. The Department of Parking and Transportation Services proposes the construction of a new, approximately 114,000-gross-square-foot operations and maintenance building that will accommodate both current and future maintenance space needs, including the flexibility to handle larger articulated buses, and will also house heavy equipment maintenance operations that are currently in a separate building. The new facility, to be located on North Campus near Green Road and Hubbard Street (see attached map), will meet current guidelines for vehicle maintenance facilities, including improved vehicle circulation and appropriate work zones for improved safety. The project will include on-site parking and we estimate the relocation will result in 185 spaces being made available on the Stephen M. Ross Athletic Campus for commuters and event parking.

The estimated cost of the project is $38,500,000. Funding will be provided from Parking 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 URS will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 56 on-site construction jobs. 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 Transportation Operations and Maintenance Facility project as described and authorize commissioning URS for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment