Subject: Athletic Department
Fisher Stadium Renovation

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

Background:

The Athletic Department is proposing a renovation and expansion of the Fisher Stadium baseball complex. An approximately 8,000 gross square foot renovation is proposed within the existing stadium and approximately 12,000 gross square feet of new construction. The project will include the addition of approximately 250 stadium-type seats as well as accommodations for barrier-free spectator areas. The existing grandstand will be upgraded to include new seating and finishes. The project will also include additional public restrooms, concession areas, expanded media space, team clubhouse and locker rooms, coaching offices and indoor practice facilities for the baseball program. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. In an effort to improve pedestrian circulation and to create a public plaza at the stadium entrance, approximately 30 parking spaces will be removed to accommodate this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $9,000,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department resources and gifts. 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 architectural firm of HOK Sport + Venue + Event, Inc. will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule, based upon a specific phasing plan, when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Athletic Department Fisher Stadium Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning HOK Sport + Venue + Event, Inc. for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment