Subject: Ann and Robert H. Lurie Biomedical Engineering Building
First Floor Renovations

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

Constructed in 1957 with an addition built in 2005, the Ann and Robert H. Lurie Biomedical Engineering Building provides approximately 65,000 gross square feet of space for interdisciplinary biomedical engineering research and instruction. A renovation of approximately 12,000 gross square feet within the building’s 1957 portion is planned that will support more engaging student instruction and collaboration. The project will create a large, re-configurable active learning classroom, four smaller teaching labs, and flexible student collaboration space. The project will also address deferred maintenance within the renovated space by providing accessibility improvements, electrical and life-safety systems upgrades, and new finishes in public spaces. The scope of this project includes the architectural, electrical, and mechanical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $4,900,000. Funding will be provided from College of Engineering 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 Integrated Design Solutions will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of six on-site construction jobs. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to the academic calendar with construction to be completed in the spring of 2021.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Ann and Robert H. Lurie Biomedical Engineering Building First Floor Renovations project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts provided bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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