Subject: Animal Research Facility
Third Floor Laboratory Renovations

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

As a component of a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Medical School proposes to update existing laboratory and support space within the Animal Research Facility. A renovation of approximately 2,000 gross square feet is planned that will reconfigure the existing spaces to meet contemporary laboratory standards. Additional improvements include updating the building's plumbing, mechanical and electrical systems and adding an emergency generator. 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 $1,340,000. Funding will be provided from a Federal grant and Medical School 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 Fall 2007.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Animal Research Facility Third Floor Laboratory Renovations 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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