

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

November 20, 2008

Subject: University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers  
University Hospital  
Morgue Renovation

Action

Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The current morgue facilities at University Hospital are outdated and require renovation to respond to increasing demand. This project will increase capacity for autopsy procedures, provide more efficient use of space and upgrade the aesthetics of the area. A renovation of approximately 1,800 gross square feet on level B2 is planned that will reconfigure the existing space to accommodate a new cold storage room for twenty carts and four new procedure tables, one of which will be located in a separate isolation room. The two existing procedure tables and the existing cold storage units will be replaced, and related support spaces will be updated. Because the morgue will be closed during renovations, arrangements have been made to continue morgue operations at another site. 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.

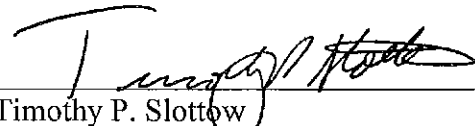
The estimated cost of the project is \$1,350,000. Funding will be provided from Hospitals and Health Centers' resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. The architectural firm of Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative will design the project. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to current operations with construction to be completed in the fall of 2009.

We recommend that the Regents approve the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers University Hospital Morgue Renovation project as described, authorize commissioning the architectural firm of Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative for its design, 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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