

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the  
Regents  
April 17, 2014

Subject: North Campus Research Complex Building 28  
Renovations for the College of Engineering

Action

Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The 135,000-gross-square-foot Building 28 on the North Campus Research Complex (NCRC) has been vacant with only essential systems operating since the complex was purchased by the University of Michigan in 2009. In order to accommodate the comprehensive renovation of the George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories building (G. G. Brown) approved by the Board of Regents in 2014, the College of Engineering proposes the temporary relocation of the Department of Chemical Engineering functions currently within G. G. Brown to NCRC Building 28. A renovation of approximately 57,600 gross square feet of existing laboratory and support spaces on the ground and first floor is planned to accommodate the needs of the Department of Chemical Engineering. The 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 \$2,300,000. Funding will be provided from College of Engineering resources and Medical School 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 University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 11 on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2014.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the North Campus Research Complex Building 28 Renovations for the College of Engineering 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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