

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: William W. Cook Legal Research Library and Hutchins Hall
Exterior Repairs

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

Originally constructed in 1931 with significant additions in 1955 and 1981, the William W. Cook Legal Research Library is approximately 212,000 gross square feet and houses the Law Library and offices of the Law School. Hutchins Hall, constructed in 1933, is approximately 120,000 gross square feet and houses classrooms, offices, and support spaces of the Law School. This project will make exterior repairs to the building envelopes, reconstruct the ramp at the south side of William W. Cook Legal Research Library and associated railings, site lighting and site walls, and reconstruct the parapet at the south side of Hutchins Hall. Work will include the repair or replacement of the stone paving, restoration of historic leaded and stained-glass windows, and interior repairs due to damage from water leakage. Although there will be a temporary loss of some adjacent parking spaces during construction, there will be no permanent impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$3,600,000. Funding will be provided from General Fund 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, in association with Simpson Gumpertz & Heger will design this project. The project is expected to provide an average of five 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 fall of 2022.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the William W. Cook Legal Research Library and Hutchins Hall Exterior Repairs 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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and Chief Financial Officer

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