

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents  
September 20, 2012

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers  
University Hospital  
Magnetic Resonance Imaging Scanner Replacement

Action

Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project


Background:

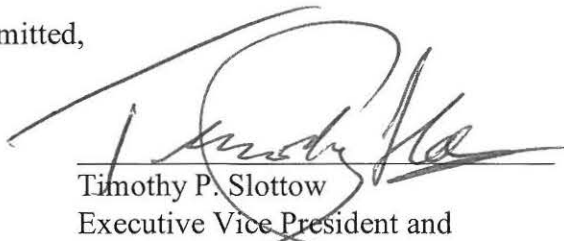
Advancements in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) technology now allow scanners to operate with a lower magnetic field and to be “open” rather than “closed,” which permits easier patient entry and increased comfort for patients who fear enclosed spaces. To improve the patient experience, this project will replace an existing closed MRI scanner with the Department of Radiology’s first open MRI scanner. A renovation of approximately 900 square feet in the MRI suite on level B2 of University Hospital is planned to accomplish the equipment replacement. 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. A Certificate of Need will be required from the State of Michigan Department of Community Health for this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$3,250,000. Funding will be provided from Hospitals and Health Centers’ 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 Hobbs and Black will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2013.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers University Hospital Replacement Magnetic Resonance Imaging Scanner Replacement project as described, authorize commissioning the architectural firm of Hobbs and Black 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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