THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers

Multiple Buildings

Pneumatic Tube System Communication Network Upgrade

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The pneumatic tube system that connects the University Hospital, C.S. Mott Children's and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospitals, Cancer Center, and A. Alfred Taubman Health Care Center transports patient materials between more than 120 stations. This project will replace the communications cabling connecting the system that is in need of replacement. The upgraded cabling will meet modern communication protocols and standards and improve system stability. The scope of this project includes the architectural, electrical, and mechanical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. 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 \$1,200,000. 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 engineering firm of Berbiglia Associates Inc. will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of two on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2017.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers Multiple Buildings Pneumatic Tube System Communication Network Upgrade project as described, authorize commissioning the engineering firm of Berbiglia Associates Inc. 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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