

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

October 23, 2008

Subject: Law School Academic Building and
Hutchins Hall Law School Commons Addition

Action
Requested: Approval of Schematic Design


Background:

At the December 2007 meeting, the Regents approved the Law School Academic Building and Hutchins Hall Law School Commons Addition project and the appointment of Hartman-Cox in association with Integrated Design Solutions, LLC for its design. The proposed project includes a new academic building located south of Monroe Street, an addition between Hutchins Hall and the William W. Cook Legal Research Library for a new Law School commons, and renovations within both Hutchins Hall and the Cook Library. The new academic building will be approximately 100,000 gross square feet that will house classrooms, multi-purpose spaces, clinic work spaces, and offices for Law School faculty and administrators. The Law School commons project of approximately 16,000 gross square feet will provide needed student study, interaction, and support spaces. Additionally, the project will include life safety upgrades to Hutchins Hall and the Cook Library and the addition of an electrical substation and chilled water plant. The project will also replace the metal siding on the connection between the Law Quad buildings and the Cook Library stacks wing with a masonry façade as presented. There will be a loss of 89 parking spaces as a result of this project that will be accommodated as part of the strategic parking and transportation plan for Central Campus.

The estimated cost of the project is \$102,000,000. Funding will be provided from gifts, investment proceeds and Law School 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Spring 2012.

We recommend that the Regents approve the schematic design for the Law School Academic Building and Hutchins Hall Law School Commons Addition project as presented at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chief Financial Officer

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