THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Received by the
Regents
December 18, 2014

Subject:

Fiscal Year 2016 Capital Outlay Submission

All Campuses

Background:

In October 2014, the University of Michigan submitted to the State of Michigan the capital outlay request and five-year master plan for the Ann Arbor, Dearborn, and Flint campuses for the 2016 fiscal year. The master plan includes information on the university's mission, instructional programming, staffing and enrollment data, facility condition assessment, master planning, and major projects anticipated over the next five years. Each year, the university has the opportunity to update information and amend the plan as needs and priorities change. Any project accepted by the state for funding requires an action request approved by the Board of Regents.

As part of the capital outlay request, the Ann Arbor campus submitted the renovation and addition to the School of Dentistry facility. The School of Dentistry consistently ranks among the top five dental schools in the country, but is increasingly challenged to fulfill its academic, research, and clinical patient care mission in its current facility. Although updates have been made where possible over the years, the building has reached the point where a major renovation is needed. The proposed project will renovate approximately one-third of the existing building in areas with the highest need. An addition of approximately 31,000 gross square feet will provide badly needed additional contemporary research and patient care space. The estimated cost of this project is \$122 million.

The Dearborn campus submitted the replacement of the Engineering Laboratory Building (ELB), original to the 1959 campus. Originally designed to provide an engineering education for the mid-20th century, the ELB requires an updated design and infrastructure to adequately serve as the primary classroom, teaching, and research facility. A new ELB will enable the College of Engineering and Computer Science (CECS) to respond to the growing regional and national demand for engineering graduates, and the UM-Dearborn plan to double the number of CECS graduates by 2020. The estimated cost of this project is \$90 million.

The Flint campus submitted the renovation and expansion of the Murchie Science Building (MSB). This project will complement the current renovation project that was partially funded by the state and approved by the Board of Regents in September 2013. An addition of approximately 30,000 gross square feet to MSB will accommodate the growth in students majoring in mathematics and the sciences by constructing additional state-of-the-art teaching laboratories, dedicated research laboratories, and additional instructional spaces. The remaining 25 percent of the existing building that is not included in the current renovation project will be updated to improve infrastructure, accessibility, and finishes. The estimated cost of this project is \$30 million.

Over the years, the State of Michigan has made significant and strategic investments in all three University of Michigan campuses through its capital outlay program. This support has been crucial to our efforts in providing an exemplary learning, teaching, and research environment, and we look forward to future opportunities to partner with the State of Michigan.

Respectfully submitted,

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