THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: New Central Campus Residential Development

Action
Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Engage an Architect
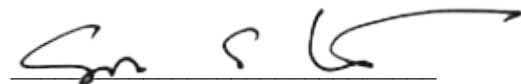
Background:

Over the last two decades, the university's undergraduate enrollment has increased significantly, yet our on-campus housing capacity for undergraduate students has not kept pace. In 2004, the university's undergraduate student-to-bed ratio was 40 percent, but today it has dropped to just 28 percent. The North Quad residence, built in 2010 to provide 450 beds, was the first new undergraduate residence hall built on campus in 40 years.

Demand among students for affordable, on-campus housing on or near Central Campus continues to rise. To meet the needs of our growing student body and ensure excellence in the overall undergraduate experience, we propose to develop a new 2,300-bed undergraduate student residence and dining facility on the current Elbel Field site, between Hoover Avenue and Hill Street. To enable this project, we will also relocate the Marching Band practice field one block north, on the 6.5 acre site west of the Sports Coliseum owned by the university. (Specific development parcels are outlined in the attached.)

The Robert A. M. Stern Architects will design the project and will present the schematic design for the housing and dining facilities, and the new Marching Band field at the February 2023 Regents meeting. A construction schedule and budget will also be submitted at that time. The budget for this initial phase of the project is $6.5 million. Design is scheduled to begin immediately.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve proceeding with the new 2,300-bed residence hall and dining facility as described and authorize commissioning the Robert A.M. Stern Architects for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment

E MADISON ST

S 4TH AVE

S 5TH AVE

Perry Building

Munger Graduate
Residences

PACKARD ST

S DIVISION ST

Apartment
Building

S MAIN ST

Coliseum

HILL ST

Buhr Building

E HOOVER AVE

Electrical Substation

Revelli Halll

Donald B. Canham
Natatorium

Administrative Services
Building