

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Science Instruction Center Building

Action

Requested: Approval of Project

Background:

The Board of Regents is asked to consider construction of a Science Instruction Center on top of the parking structure at Palmer Drive. It will house instructional space for students and some research space for a variety of science programs, and potentially include program space for the Drama Department. The building will be approximately 120,000 gross square feet on four floors. It will be situated above the parking structure and will be supported by a concrete deck on the parking structure that will function as the foundation for the building. A map of the proposed location is enclosed.

The preliminary estimate for construction is \$36,000,000, plus a concrete deck that would serve as a foundation for \$4,800,000, both to be funded from funds raised and central administration funds. 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. As the projects become more defined, we will return to the Regents for approval of architect, approval of schematic design and authorization to issue the project for bids.

We recommend the Regents approve the project, proceeding with the concrete deck, and approve initiating programming activities for the Science Instruction Center Building.

Respectfully submitted,

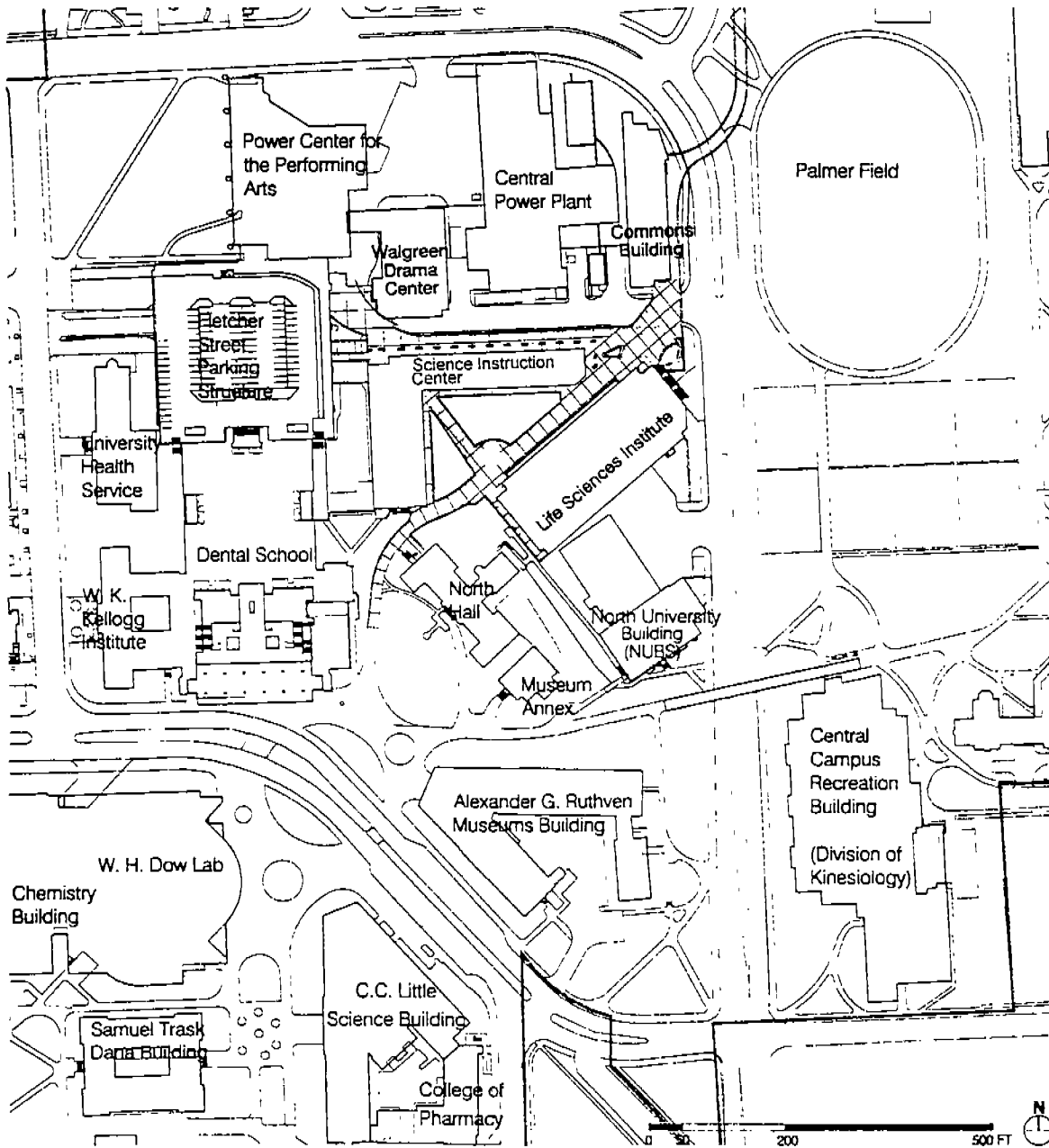


Robert Kasdin  
Executive Vice President  
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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

SEP 22 2000



**PALMER DRIVE PROJECT  
SITE PLAN**

Palmer Drive Project, U of M

Base Map Source: UM Facilities Planning & Design  
Information Sources: UM Facilities Planning & Design  
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