## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (NAME) Building

Entrance Plaza Paving and Landscaping

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The University has developed a plan to improve the appearance and functionality of the entrance to the Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (NAME) Building of the College of Engineering. The project includes landscaping the exterior corridor between the NAME and Cyclotron Buildings and creating a plaza at the west entrance. The project will improve over one-half acre of landscaping and will provide benches in a park-like setting. In addition, a small canopy will be added to the west entrance of the NAME Building. The project will involve the removal of the existing parking lot; however, an equivalent number of spaces will be created in the adjacent lot located to the northeast.

The estimated cost of the project is \$600,000 with funding provided primarily with a gift and by the College of Engineering. The project will be designed by SmithGroup JJR. Construction is scheduled to begin in May 2001 and be completed before September 2001.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering (NAME) Building Entrance Plaza Paving and Landscaping project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding a construction contract providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Kasdin

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Attachments



