THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers (UMHHC) Hospital Dentistry Clinic Expansion Project

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The UMHHC patient care mission includes providing dental services to emergency outpatients and very ill inpatients otherwise unable to obtain treatment on an emergent basis. The Hospital Dentistry program is located on level B1 of University Hospital, proximate to the Emergency Department. The allocated space for the program has served patients effectively over time, however, more space is needed to address current patient volume and support space requirements.

The UMHHC plans to renovate 2,246 gross square feet of existing contiguous space on level B1 of University Hospital and Taubman Center to improve the clinical space assigned to the Dentistry Program, including four new dental exam rooms and reactivation of recovery space. Support space improvements will be provided including storage, staff break areas, and soiled utility rooms.

The estimated cost of the project is $800,000. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. Because the project construction will occur adjacent to operating clinics, the work will be done in several stages with limited staging and access to the work area. In addition, medical gases and emergency power will service the area. These factors increase the costs of the construction. We anticipate no parking needs associated with this renovation project.

Funding will be provided from Hospitals and Health Centers’ capital fund. Construction is scheduled to be complete in the Winter of 2003.

We recommend that the Regents approve the UMHHC Hospital Dentistry Clinic Expansion Project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing the bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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