

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Athletic Department - Football Stadium
Team Locker Room Expansion

REVISED

Action Requested: Authorization to Proceed with Project

Background:

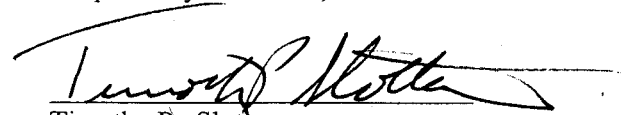
The U-M Football Stadium was constructed in 1927 with a seating capacity of 84,401 and considered to be the best and largest facility of its kind in the country. Today, the "Big House" is still regarded as the largest (seating capacity is 107,501) and one of the best stadiums anywhere. Many renovations have occurred over the years to add seats, improve functions, and to meet new codes. However, our records suggest changes were made to the locker room circa 1950's to accommodate a large roster of players, and very little additional work has been done over the past 50 years.

The current facility includes 4,000 square feet of locker room space. The project will expand the locker room space an additional 7,000 square feet to approximately 11,000 square feet total. The existing space finishes will be upgraded and infrastructure needs including mechanical, plumbing, and electrical will be upgraded to meet current codes. The additional space will allow the entire area to be reconfigured to accommodate new lockers, showers, a coaches' area, and training rooms, as well as a medical procedures room, equipment storage and proper mechanical spaces. The expansion will be located within the footprint of the existing football stadium. The project will include soil excavation, shoring, structural elements, infrastructure, furnishings and finishes for the expansion. There will be no impact on parking.

The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$3 million with funding to be provided by the Athletic Department. 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. The architectural firm of Rossetti Associates Architects, Inc. will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed prior to the first home football game in August 2003.

We recommend the Regents approve the Athletic Department - Football Stadium Team Locker Room Expansion project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,


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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON
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