

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Alumni Memorial Hall  
Museum of Art Addition and Renovation

Action Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

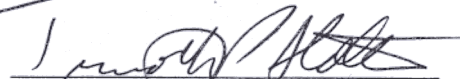
Alumni Memorial Hall has housed the University of Michigan Museum of Art since 1946. The Museum gained exclusive use of the facility in the late 1960s when a major renovation was undertaken to accommodate the special needs of the Museum. Over the past 35 years, the Museum has experienced significant growth. Its collections have more than doubled in size and the Museum currently accommodates over 115,000 visits annually. The building has not been updated since the late 1960s and is in need of significant infrastructure and systems improvements.

A 55,000 gross square foot addition is proposed to address current space needs and allow for future growth in collections and programming. A 42,000 gross square foot renovation is proposed to address needed infrastructure improvements. The project will also provide the opportunity to better organize the functional components of the Museum to improve efficiency and allow operational flexibility. The proposed site for the addition is immediately to the north of the existing Alumni Memorial Hall, and is shown on the attached site map. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$35,000,000. Funding will be provided from gifts to the University and investment proceeds. 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 Allied Works Architecture will design the project. Allied Works has been involved in many art museum projects and is currently working on the renovation of the Huntington Hartford Building in NYC, which will house the Museum of Contemporary Arts and Design (formerly known as the American Craft Museum), as well as a new building for the Seattle Art Museum. Design is scheduled to begin in November 2003 and we will propose a construction schedule in a subsequent Action Request.

We recommend the Regents approve the Alumni Memorial Hall Museum of Art Addition and Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning Allied Works Architecture for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

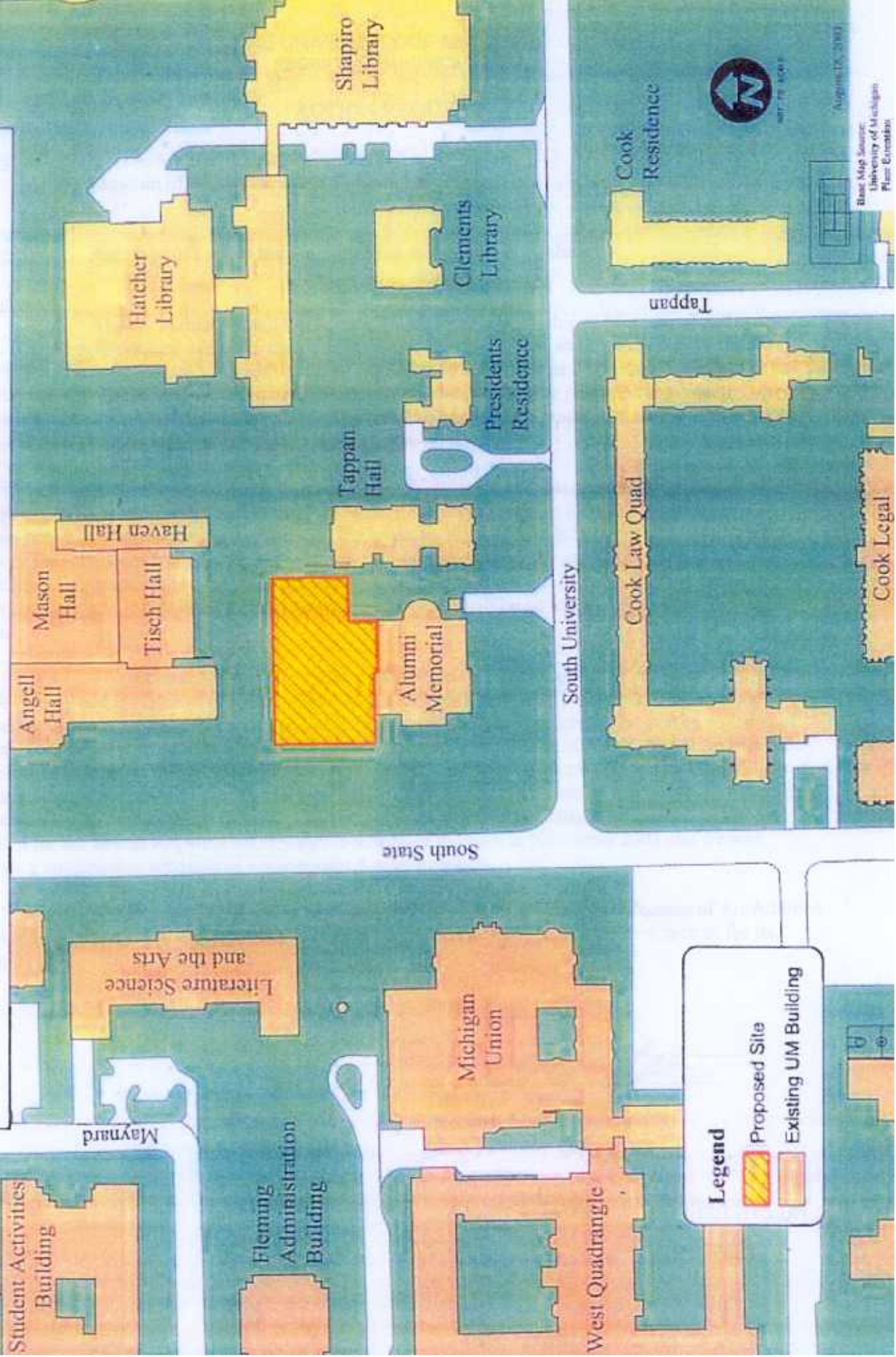


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Attachment  
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OCT 16 2003

**Museum of Art Addition and Renovation**  
**Proposed Building Site**  
**Ann Arbor - Central Campus**



**Legend**

-  Proposed Site
-  Existing UM Building