Subject: Art and Architecture Building  
1st and 2nd Floor Renovations

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning proposes to renovate underutilized space on the first and second floors of the Art and Architecture Building to further support the integration of technology into its curriculum. The proposed project will renovate approximately 7,700 gross square feet to provide for a Media Center to handle the output of student’s computer work, one large classroom, a design studio for large scale mockups and testing, computing spaces for students, and faculty/PhD offices. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $650,000. Funding will be provided from the College of Architecture and Urban Planning resources and general fund resources. 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 University of Michigan, Plant Extension – Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Winter 2005.

We recommend the Regents approve the Art and Architecture Building - First and Second Floor Renovations 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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