ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Athletic Department
Events Center

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

Background:

The Athletic Department is proposing an Events Center to provide a venue to conduct recruiting events for all twenty-five Michigan Athletics sponsored sports. In addition to recruiting events, the center will support other University sponsored activities such as graduations, convocations, and new student orientation activities. The proposed site for the new building is between Michigan Stadium and Crisler Area (see attached map).

Approximately 11,000 gross square feet of new construction is proposed to accommodate a 300 person gathering space, support space for hosting events, and storage area. The facility will be located below grade, with an exposed front entrance facing the parking lot in between the tunnels of Michigan Stadium and Crisler Arena. The project will have no impact on parking.

The estimated cost of the project is $4,500,000. Funding will be provided by Athletic Department resources and gifts. 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 Architects will design the project. Design will begin immediately and construction is scheduled to be completed by Fall 2005.

We recommend the Regents approve the Athletic Department Events Center project as described and authorize commissioning Rossetti Architects for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON JUL 15 2004
Events Center
University of Michigan Athletic Department
Proposed Building Site
Ann Arbor - South Campus

Legend
- Proposed Events Center
- Existing Team Locker Room and Tunnel

Stadium Blvd.

Football Stadium
Crisler Arena
Parking Lot SC5
Parking Lot SC6