

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan – Flint
David M. French Hall Renovations

Action

Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

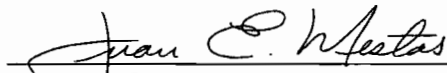
Background:

David M. French Hall was constructed in 1977 as the General Classroom-Office Building, the first building on the new campus of the University of Michigan-Flint. The University proposes to renovate major portions of French Hall in order to transform outdated spaces into more contemporary academic settings. A 73,000 gross square foot renovation of classrooms, faculty offices and support areas is planned. The project will also address deferred maintenance items as well as code and accessibility requirements. 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.

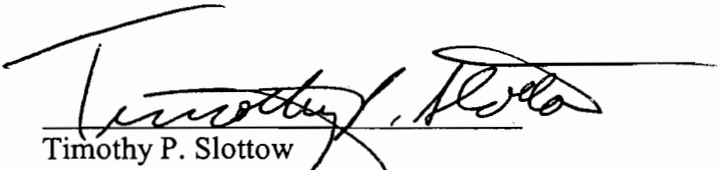
The estimated cost of the project is \$9,350,000. This project is part of a Fiscal Year 2005 Supplemental Capital Outlay Request to the State of Michigan. Once the funds are appropriated by the State legislature, the State will fund seventy-five percent of the cost of the project, with the balance to be funded by University of Michigan-Flint 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 architectural firm of DSA Architects, LLC will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately, and we will return with a construction schedule, based upon a specific phasing plan, when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Regents approve the University of Michigan – Flint David M. French Hall Renovations project as described, and authorize commissioning DSA Architects, LLC for its design.

Respectfully submitted,



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