

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Oxford Housing
Fire Alarm System Upgrade and Fire Suppression System Installation

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

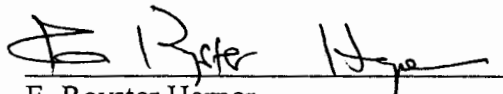
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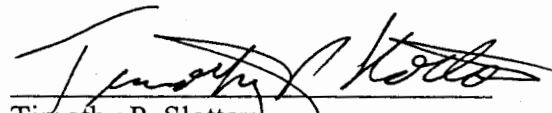
Constructed in 1964, Oxford Housing is a 120,000 gross square foot, three-story complex housing approximately 280 students. As part of the "Residential Life Initiatives" presented to the Regents in September 2004, this project will address life safety needs in Oxford. The existing fire detection and alarm system will be upgraded to meet current codes and standards, including those set by the Americans with Disabilities Act. The fire suppression system will be upgraded to provide coverage throughout the building. The scope of the 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 \$3,935,000. Funding will be provided from University Housing resources 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 University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction will be done in phases to minimize disruption to residence operations, and will be completed by Spring 2006.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Oxford Housing Fire Alarm System Upgrade and Fire Suppression System Installation 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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