

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories  
First and Third Floor Laboratory Renovations

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories building was constructed in 1958 and houses several College of Engineering departments. This project will renovate approximately 7,400 gross square feet of wet laboratory space on the first and third floor to accommodate the needs of several research faculty members. Program and infrastructure improvements in existing laboratories and offices will include modifying the existing concrete wave tank as well as modifying mechanical and electrical infrastructure as needed for research activities in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science. The project includes the architectural, electrical, and mechanical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,600,000. Funding will be provided from the College of Engineering resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Board of Regents. The firm of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of six on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2017.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories First and Third Floor Laboratory 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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