

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

JUL 20 1999

Subject: Life Sciences Institute Building Project  
And Palmer Drive Parking Structure Project

Action Requested: Approval of Projects, Site, and Architects

Background:

The Regents authorized the creation of the Life Sciences Institute at the May 1999 meeting. A portion of the Life Sciences presentation focused on the concept of planning a facility for the Institute's laboratory functions. The Palmer Drive site, located immediately south of the power plant, on Washtenaw Avenue, was presented as the recommended site. The concept plan that was discussed incorporated the Palmer Drive parking structure, which was approved by the Regents in November 1996. We would also like to proceed with that project at this time. The attached drawing indicates the relative areas that we are proposing for both structures. The attached plan also indicates the location for additional buildings that would be considered in the future as related need and available funding will allow.

We propose to proceed with the programming of the Life Sciences Institute building and the design of the Palmer Drive parking structure. As we begin the programming phase, we would like to utilize the services of the design firm that will have responsibility for the design of the Institute building. Therefore, we recommend at this time, commissioning the firms of SHG Incorporated and Venturi, Scott Brown and Associates, Inc. (VSBA) to design the Institute building. We propose SHG as the architect of record, and VSBA to lead the design of the building. Further, we recommend appointing VSBA as the design firm for the parking structure, working in conjunction with Desman Associates, a Chicago based parking consultant. The parking structure design will allow the construction of a building above the structure should a need arise and funding be available.

We expect to formulate a more specific definition of scope for the projects through the programming effort and further site studies. We plan to return to the Regents in the Fall with preliminary estimates, and a fuller description of each project.

We recommend the Regents approve the site, the architects and initiating programming and design activities for the Life Sciences Institute building project and the Palmer Drive parking structure project.

Respectfully submitted,

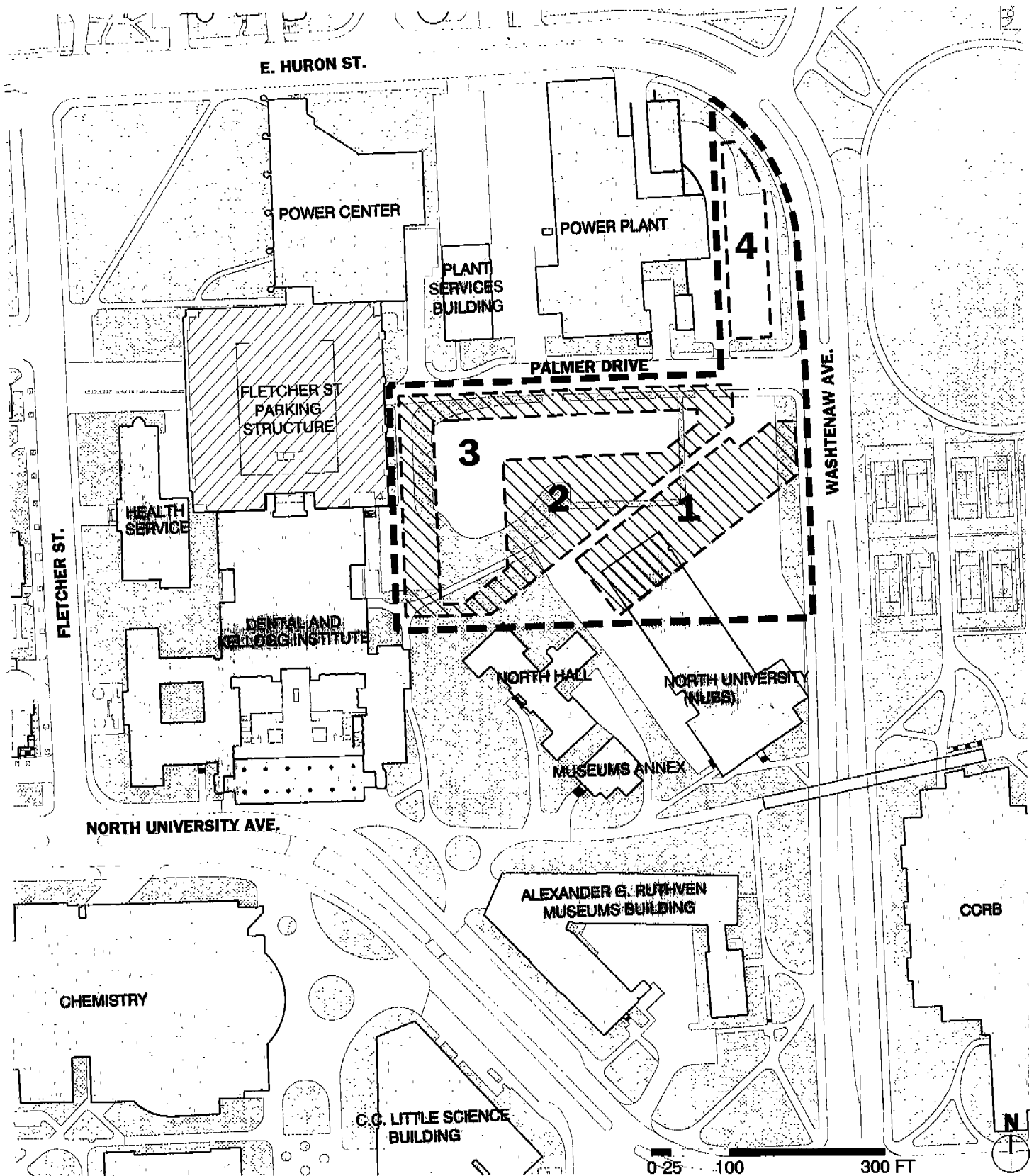


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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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## PALMER DRIVE SITE

University of Michigan Campus Plan, Phase 2 Draft

Base Map Source: UM Facilities Planning & Design  
 Venturi, Scott Brown & Associates, Inc.  
 July 2, 1999

### KEY

- Approximate Site Limits
- - - Proposed Building Sites
- 1. Institute
- 2. Parking Structure
- 3. Non-Lab Academic (Above Parking Structure)
- 4. Non-Lab Academic