THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents
June 16, 2011

Subject:

Yost Ice Arena

Seating Replacement and Fan Amenities Improvement

Action

Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

Constructed in 1923 as a field house, the approximately 113,000-gross-square-foot Yost Ice Arena was converted to its present use in 1973 and is the home of the University of Michigan intercollegiate hockey team, providing seating for more than 6,600 spectators. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is proposing a project which will replace the spectator seating on the east, south and west sides of the rink, improving accessibility as well as emergency egress. The project also includes improvements to the east and west concourses, conversion of the level four west side media balcony into a series of loge boxes, a new level five on the west side for media, as well as new corner and stair platforms for additional seating. Infrastructure improvements will be made, including upgrading the existing fire alarm system, extending the existing fire suppression system to areas which are not currently protected, and replacing the exterior windows. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. Although there will be a temporary loss of some adjacent parking spaces during construction, there will be no permanent impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$14,000,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department 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 Board of Regents. The architectural firm of Rossetti Architecture Inc. will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Yost Ice Arena Seating Replacement and Fan Amenities Improvement project as described and authorize commissioning Rossetti Architecture Inc. for its design.

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Respectfully submitted,

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