

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents
September 19, 2013

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan-Flint
William R. Murchie Science Building Renovation

Action

Requested: Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Construction Contracts

Background:

At the October 2012 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the schematic design for the University of Michigan-Flint William R. Murchie Science Building Renovation project. A revitalization of the classrooms and laboratories in the Murchie Science Building is critical to expanding programs that will better prepare K-12 science teachers as well as students for careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. A renovation of approximately 85,000 gross square feet of space is planned that will add instructional labs for chemistry and biology and associated support spaces. The renovation will also update the building's infrastructure, including a new fire alarm system, new emergency generator, upgraded telecommunications cabling, and select mechanical, lighting, exterior envelope, and accessibility improvements. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical, and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements.

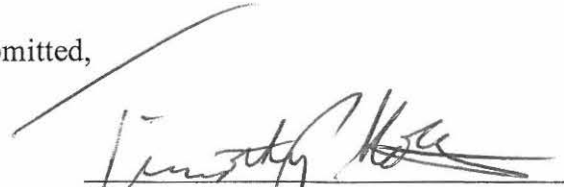
The estimated cost of the project is \$22,170,000. The project is part of the fiscal year 2011 capital outlay request to the State of Michigan. Construction was authorized by the State legislature in Public Act 192 of 2012. The State will fund seventy-five percent of the project and the university will fund the balance with University of Michigan-Flint 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 project is expected to provide an average of 29 on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2015.

We recommend that the Board of Regents authorize issuing the University of Michigan-Flint William R. Murchie Science Building Renovation project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,



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