

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: University of Michigan-Dearborn  
Mardigian Library  
Galleries Center

Action

Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The approximately 115,000-gross-square-foot Mardigian Library on the University of Michigan-Dearborn campus was constructed in 1980. This proposed project will renovate approximately 5,600 gross square feet of space on the main floor to create two small galleries, including a separate entry and reception area and support space. The separate entrance from the vestibule will allow access to the gallery even when the library is closed. The project will allow proper display, study, and stewardship of acclaimed collections from donors, offering students and faculty the opportunity to research and interact with the artwork, and gain valuable experience curating and installing exhibitions in a working gallery. This renovation is intended to facilitate access and provide more opportunities for educational programming, including lectures, workshops, cultural events, and community outreach. The scope of this 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 \$1,600,000.00. Funding will be provided from University of Michigan-Dearborn resources and gifts. 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 architectural firm of Quinn Evans Architects will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of two on-site construction jobs. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2018.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the University of Michigan-Dearborn Mardigian Library Galleries Center 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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