

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Environmental and Water Resources Engineering Building and George Granger  
Brown Memorial Laboratories  
Civil and Environmental Engineering Project

Action

Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

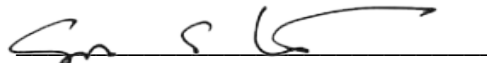
Background:

This project proposes a renovation of approximately 10,000 gross square feet of space for the Civil and Environmental Engineering Department within the Environmental and Water Resources Engineering Building and the eastern portion of the George Granger Brown Memorial Laboratories to create a new collaborative research space for the College of Engineering. The new space will help improve the overall student engagement experience, including a lounge, flexible student office, and collaborative spaces. The project will address deferred maintenance improvements related to the project, including electrical, life-safety systems, addressing ADA accessibility, legacy code related items, and providing new finishes in public spaces. 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 \$5,150,000. Funding will be provided from 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 architectural firm of Harley Ellis Deveraux will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 11 on-site construction jobs. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to the academic calendar, with construction to be completed in the fall of 2023.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Civil and Environmental Engineering 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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