

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents
June 16, 2011

Subject: Institute for Social Research
Addition

Action

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

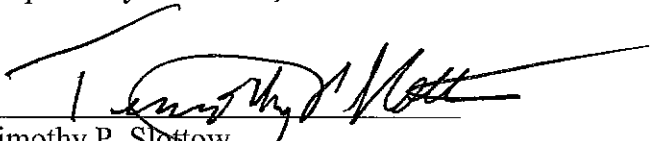
Background:

At the July 2010 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the schematic design for the Institute for Social Research Addition. The Institute for Social Research (ISR) is the oldest and largest academic survey and social research organization in the world. Expansion of the ISR's facilities on Thompson Street will increase the capacity of the institute's research facilities to support its large and growing externally-funded research programs. Expansion will also enhance research effectiveness by integrating research programs within a single building complex, and will provide state-of-the-art facilities for communicating with national and international research partners. A four-level addition of approximately 44,700 gross square feet to the existing Institute for Social Research building is proposed. The expansion will create office and research spaces, collaborative meeting spaces, and secure data and biospecimen storage. The project also involves renovations to approximately 7,200 gross square feet of the existing building where it will connect to the addition. The scope of the project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to construct the addition.

The estimated cost of the project is \$23,000,000. Funding will be provided from an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 grant from the National Institutes of Health, Office of the Provost resources, and Institute for Social Research 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2013.

We recommend that the Board of Regents authorize issuing the Institute for Social Research Addition project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,



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