

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Newberry Hall
Kelsey Museum Addition and Renovation Project

Action Requested: Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

The Kelsey Museum of Archeology houses nearly 100,000 objects from the civilizations of the Mediterranean, a small selection of which are featured in two galleries located in the Museum. Newberry Hall is also the location for the University's interdepartmental program in Classical Art and Archeology. As a result of the growth of the collection and programs over many years, the Museum is in need of additional space for exhibits and research.

An addition of approximately 12,000 gross square feet and renovation of some of the existing facility's 21,000 gross square feet are proposed. The project will also address infrastructure improvements in the existing facility. The proposed site for the new addition is the parking lot west of the existing building (see attached map). There will be a loss of 30 parking spaces on this site due to the addition, which will be accommodated in a new parking structure located on Division Street, as presented to the Regents in the University's Parking and Transportation strategic plan.

The estimated cost of the project is \$8,200,000. Funding will be provided through a leadership gift and a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The Museum has received a generous gift from longtime donors Edwin and Mary Meader of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Mr. Meader, a 1933 alumnus, and Mrs. Meader have been supporters of the University for more than 30 years, donating to the Chemistry Department, School of Music, Medical School and Hill Auditorium, among others. 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 Regents. The architectural firm of Hammond Beeby Rupert Ainge Architects, Inc. will design the project. The design is scheduled to begin in August 2004 and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend the Regents approve the Newberry Hall, Kelsey Museum Addition and Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning Hammond Beeby Rupert Ainge Architects, Inc. for its design.

Respectfully submitted,



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Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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Attachment

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

JUL 15 2004

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