THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Medical School

Temporary Animal Facilities and Demolition of the Neuroscience Building

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Neuroscience Building located at the northeast corner of Glen and Huron Streets was built as the Food Services Building in 1948. In 1969 it was adapted to serve as a laboratory building. For many years this has been reviewed as poor research space. We propose to demolish the Neuroscience Building to prepare the site for the Biomedical Science Research Building (BSRB) project. The demolition project will include the appropriate removal of asbestos and lead-containing materials, demolition, removal of debris and building foundations. The present occupants of the Neuroscience Building will be relocated primarily to other Medical School space. The impact on parking will be related to the BSRB construction activity and addressed in a future Action Request.

With the demolition of the Neuroscience Building, a shortage of animal facilities becomes acute. Therefore, the Medical School has an immediate need for temporary animal housing until such time that additional animal housing space comes on-line in 2005 as part of the approved BSRB. Space will be created through the purchase and installation of two temporary pre-manufactured modular structures to be located on the grade level roof of the Kresge Complex (between K1, K2, and KHRI – see attached sketch). These structures will temporarily provide 7.300 gross square feet of space for animal housing, procedure rooms, and cage washer functions. The project will involve the design, purchase, and installation of the structures, extensive site preparation and utility relocation, and the purchase and installation of cage washing equipment. The site has been selected despite the extensive site preparation required because it is the most appropriate and secure location for facilities such as these. We do not anticipate any impact on parking associated with the installation of the modular structures:

The cost of the Temporary Animal Facilities and Neuroscience Building demolition project is estimated to total \$4.7 million. Funding will be provided from Medical School unrestricted revenue, reserves, and gifts. The University of Michigan, Plant Extension Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the site preparation aspects of the temporary modular structures while the modular structure manufacturer will design the modular units themselves. Following approval, fabrication would be scheduled to begin June 2001 with a construction completion scheduled for November 2001. The demolition of the Neuroscience Building is scheduled to occur after the Fall 2001 term. The temporary structures will be removed by Plant Extension within twelve months of the completion of the BSRB. The Medical School will fund the removal.

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

We recommend that the Regents approve the Medical School Temporary Animal Facilities and the Neuroscience Building Demolition 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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Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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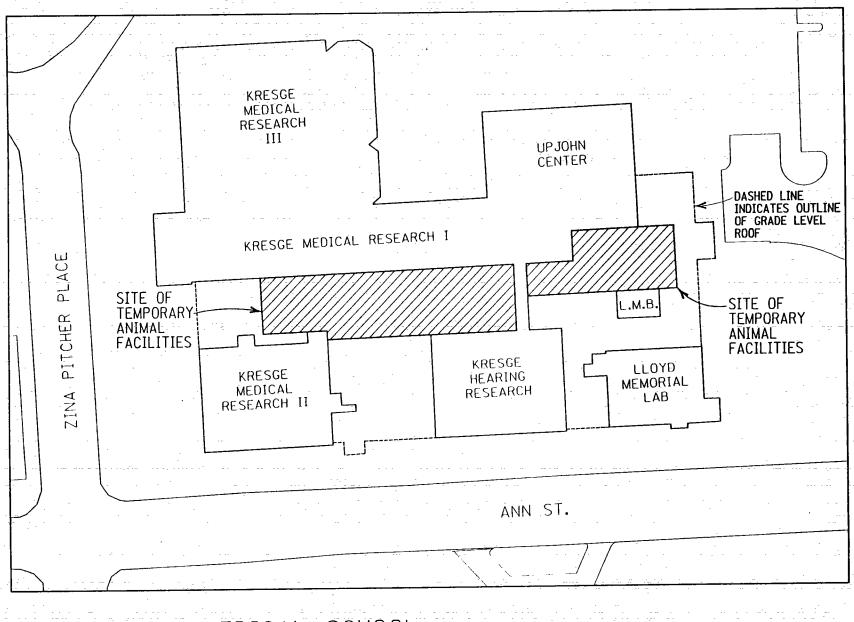
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