

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: South Quadrangle
Fire Suppression and Fire Detection Alarm System Upgrade

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

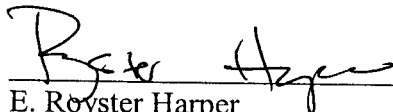
Background:

South Quadrangle is a 387,989 gross square foot, nine-story, student residence hall presently equipped with partial fire suppression and a fire detection alarm system. This project will provide fire suppression throughout the building. In addition, the fire detection alarm system will be upgraded to current codes and standards, including those set by the Americans with Disabilities Act. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements.

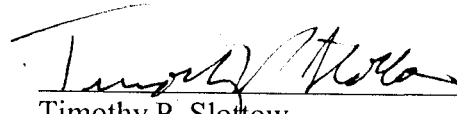
The estimated cost of the project is \$4,500,000. Funding will be provided from currently available University Housing reserves. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. The University of Michigan, Plant Extension – Architecture, Engineering and Construction, together with fire suppression and fire alarm consultants, will design the project. Construction will be completed in Spring 2004 and scheduled so that disruption to the academic calendar is minimal. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

We recommend that the Regents approve the South Quadrangle Fire Suppression and Fire Detection Alarm System Upgrade 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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