

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Athletic Department
Alumni Field Renovation

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

Background:

The Athletic Department is proposing an expansion and renovation of the Alumni Field softball complex. Approximately 15,000 gross square feet of new construction is proposed. The existing grandstands will be demolished. New grandstands will include approximately 600 stadium-type and 1,100 bleacher seats, as well as accommodations for barrier-free spectator areas. The project will include new public restrooms, concession areas, and media space. The Donald R. Shepherd Softball Building, built in 1998, will undergo minor upgrades to team locker room and training areas. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

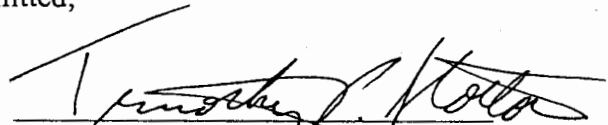
The estimated cost of the project is \$5,000,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department resources and gifts. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. The architectural firm of HOK Sport + Venue + Event, Inc. will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately and we will return with a construction schedule, based upon a specific phasing plan, when we seek approval of schematic design.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Athletic Department Alumni Field Renovation project as described and authorize commissioning HOK Sport + Venue + Event, Inc. for its design.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director of Athletics



Timothy P. Slottow
Executive Vice President and
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Attachment

APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

SEP 15 2005

