

COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, September 14, 2012

DECISION ITEM C-3: Capital Project for Which Staff Proposes Expedited Action

Staff Recommendation

That the Commission for Higher Education approve by consent the following capital project(s), in accordance with the background information provided in this agenda item:

- Purdue University – West Lafayette Campus: Stewart Center Fire Alarm and Sprinkler System Installation- \$4,100,000
- Purdue University – West Lafayette Campus: Zucrow Building Complex Electrical System Replacement- \$5,500,000

Background

Staff recommends the following capital project be recommended for approval in accordance with the expedited action category originated by the Commission for Higher Education in May 2006. Institutional staff will be available to answer questions about these projects, but the staff does not envision formal presentations. If there are questions or issues requiring research or further discussion, the item could be deferred until a future Commission meeting.

Supporting Document

Background Information on Capital Project on Which Staff Proposes Expedited Action, September 14, 2012

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B-1-13-2-11 Purdue University – Stewart Center Fire Alarm and Sprinkler Installation
Project Cost: \$4,100,000

The Trustees of Purdue University request authorization to proceed with the installation and updating of the fire alarm and sprinkler system in the Stewart Center at the West Lafayette campus. Currently, the existing fire alarm system is outdated and the ability to maintain the system is becoming more difficult. In addition, portions of Stewart Center do not have fire alarm and sprinkler system units, which will be added through this project. Stewart Center provides space and services to students, faculty and staff; as well as meeting space for student groups, the Board of Trustees and others. Updating fire protection systems is a high priority repair and rehabilitation project and this project reflects those top priorities. The project is estimated to cost \$4,100,000 will be funded through University General Funds specifically for repair and rehabilitation purposes.

B-1-13-2-12 Purdue University – Zucrow Building Complex Electrical System Replacement
Project Cost: \$5,500,000

The Trustees of Purdue University request authorization to proceed with the replacement of the electrical system associated with the Zucrow Building Complex at the West Lafayette campus. The Zucrow complex is a 24 acre area adjacent to the Purdue airport that provides research capabilities in the areas of aerodynamics, aeroacoustics, combustion, fluid mechanics, etc. The electrical components supporting the Zucrow building complex are grossly outdated and are in need of being updated to support the electrical usage of the complex to avoid potential electrical failures and bring electrical components up to safety code. For the safety of staff, students and faculty, this is a top priority replacement project for the West Lafayette campus. The project is estimated to cost \$5,500,000 will be funded through University General Funds specifically for repair and rehabilitation purposes.