



University of Connecticut
*Office of the Vice President and
Chief Operating Officer*

August 4, 2009

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Barry M. Feldman
Vice President and Chief Operating Officer

Richard D. Gray
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

RE: Project Budget for Benton State Art Museum Addition – Mechanical
System Improvements (Planning: \$1,700,000)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve a Planning Budget in the amount of \$1,700,000 for the mechanical system improvements to the William Benton Museum of Art.

BACKGROUND:

The William Benton Museum of Art is located in a 28,000 square foot building which is an integral part of the School of Fine Arts teaching program. It contains an art collection and hosts art exhibits making it a popular facility with the University community and a draw for visitors to campus. A recent addition provided new exhibit space and a museum store.

The original building, constructed in 1920, was used as a dining hall and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Board of Trustees previously approved a project for the Benton Museum Addition that included repairs to the façade and mechanical system improvements. On January 12, 2009 the Board approved a Revised Design Budget which separated the original scope of work and budget into two separate projects; one for the façade repairs and the second for mechanical system improvements.

The façade project is currently under construction. The Board increased the available funds to accommodate the mechanical system improvements at the June 23, 2009 meeting. Consequently, the university recommends beginning the project for mechanical system improvements.

This Planning Budget is attached for your consideration and approval.

Attachment

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CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET REPORTING FORM

TYPE BUDGET: PLANNING

PROJECT NAME: BENTON STATE ART MUSEUM ADDITION - MECHANICAL SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

<u>BUDGETED EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>PROPOSED PLANNING 8/4/2009</u>
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 1,200,000
DESIGN SERVICES	70,000
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	-
FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT	-
CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION	-
OTHER AE SERVICES (including Project Management)	65,000
ART	-
RELOCATION	-
ENVIRONMENTAL	30,000
INSURANCE AND LEGAL	10,000
MISCELLANEOUS	100,000
OTHER SOFT COSTS*	-
SUBTOTAL	\$ 1,475,000
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	225,000
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,700,000
<u>SOURCE(S) OF FUNDING</u>	
UCONN 2000 PHASE III	\$ 1,700,000
TOTAL BUDGETED FUNDING	\$ 1,700,000

*Does not include Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment.