



University of Connecticut
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September 25, 2007

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

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

Lorraine M. Aronson
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: **Project Budget (Final) for the Code Safety Inspections - Summer 2007, Corrective Action Work**

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve a Final Budget of \$2,200,000 for code corrective action for buildings on the Storrs, Depot, West Hartford and Law School campuses resulting from the summer 2007 safety code inspections.

BACKGROUND:

On June 5, 2007 University officials met with representatives of the Office of the State Building Inspector (OSBI) of the Department of Public Safety, Co-Chairs of the General Assembly's Public Safety and Higher Education Committees and a representative of the Governor's Office to discuss and develop a plan to accelerate UCONN 2000 building inspections. At the June 5, 2007 meeting the University and OSBI agreed on buildings and projects for which safety inspections would be complete prior to the start of the 2007-2008 academic year. There was an agreement that the University would repair code discrepancies as soon as possible, and that the goal of the corrective activity would be an OSBI determination that the buildings were safe for occupancy prior to the start of the academic year.

In order to enable the University to correct the discrepancies in such a short time period, the University retained Standard Builders under the provisions of the "exigent circumstances" policy to complete specific work. The University also retained URS, an on-call architectural firm under contract with the University, for design and code interpretation assistance.

The fire and building code safety inspection program for the summer of 2007 included 166 buildings. The proposed budget of \$2,200,000 is comprised of an estimated project cost as of September 14, 2007 of \$1,950,000 and a contingency of \$250,000. This recommended contingency is higher than usual to ensure that sufficient funding will be available this fall should there be additional findings or costs not presently anticipated.

This Final Budget is attached for your consideration and approval.

Attachment

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CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET REPORTING FORM

TYPE BUDGET: FINAL

PROJECT NAME: CODE SAFETY INSPECTIONS - SUMMER 2007, CORRECTIVE ACTION WORK

<u>BUDGETED EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>PROPOSED FINAL 9/25/2007</u>
CONSTRUCTION	\$ 1,400,000
DESIGN SERVICES	80,000
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	-
FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT	-
CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION	290,000
OTHER AE SERVICES (including Project Management)	90,000
ART	-
RELOCATION	-
ENVIRONMENTAL	40,000
INSURANCE AND LEGAL	-
MISCELLANEOUS	50,000
OTHER SOFT COSTS*	-
SUBTOTAL	\$ 1,950,000
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	250,000
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	\$ 2,200,000
<u>SOURCE(S) OF FUNDING</u>	
UCONN 2000 PHASE III - FY07 DM	\$ 475,000
UCONN 2000 PHASE III - FY08 DM	1,725,000
TOTAL BUDGETED FUNDING	\$ 2,200,000

*Does not include Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment.

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