

March 18, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Regents
FROM: David L. Buhler
SUBJECT: University of Utah – Rice Eccles Stadium Expansion and Renovation

Issue

The University of Utah has requested authorization to proceed with a project to expand the men's restroom capacity at Rice Eccles Stadium on both the northeast and northwest concourses of the stadium. In addition, the gate areas will be modified and the perimeter fencing at ground level will be expanded to enlarge each concourse area to relieve congestion, and ADA facilities will be provided.

Background

The need for this project is well defined in the attached letter from the University requesting authorization. The estimated project cost of \$3,300,000 will be funded in its entirety with Auxiliary Services funds. Additional O&M costs resulting from the upgrades will, likewise, be funded with Auxiliary Services sources.

The project was approved by the University of Utah Board of Trustees at their March 10, 2015 meeting and will be submitted to the Utah State Building Board for final approval. A schematic showing the location of the proposed project is also attached for your information. University representatives will be present at the meeting to provide additional information as needed.

Commissioner's Recommendation

The Commissioner recommends Board authorization of this project for presentation to the State Building Board for final approval.

David L. Buhler
Commissioner of Higher Education

DLB/GLS/WRH
Attachment

March 27, 2015

Mr. David Buhler
Commissioner
Board of Regents Building, The Gateway
60 South 400 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84101-1284

Dear Commissioner Buhler:

RE:*University of Utah
 Rice-Eccles Stadium*

In 1998, in advance of the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics, Rice-Eccles Stadium (RES) experienced the most recent and major upgrade. At that time the restroom fixture capacity was adequate for demand, including compliance with building code. In the 16 years since this major upgrade and following the success of the University's football program it has become increasingly apparent that the number of men's restroom fixtures is insufficient. Surprisingly, the wait time at the women's restrooms in this area is not as significant.

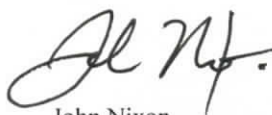
Pending confirmation of sanitary sewer capacity, the proposed project will construct additional men's restrooms to both the northwest and northeast concourses of the stadium increasing the fixture count by approximately 88 units (water closets and urinals). This will be done by creating approximately 7,350 GSF of infill space. Work will also include modifying gate areas and expanding perimeter fencing at ground level to enlarge the area of each concourse to the greatest extent possible to relieve congestion. Additional ADA facilities will be provided as part of this enhancement. The attached conceptual print identifies the locations of these new restroom facilities.

The proposed total project budget is \$3,300,000 and will be funded by Auxiliary Services funds. Additional operating budget to service the improvements will also be absorbed by Auxiliary Services.

The University of Utah's Board of Trustees approved this project at their March 10, 2015 meeting and we respectfully seek your support of this request and the opportunity to present this project for Board of Regents approval at the March 27, 2015 meeting.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Sincerely,



John Nixon
Sr. Chief Administrative Officer & CFO

Attachments: *RES Image (1) 03 27 15*

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