

Board Meeting
December 2, 2011

ROLL CALL

EMPLOY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONSULTANT FOR ASSEMBLY HALL
RENOVATION AND ADDITION, URBANA

Action: Approve Employment of Professional Services Consultant for Assembly Hall Renovation and Addition

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget

Since opening in 1963, the Assembly Hall has been an icon on the Urbana-Champaign campus. While the building was ahead of its time when it opened, significant changes in arena design have occurred over the past 48 years. This project will enhance amenities that will improve the experience for attendees and participants at events at the Assembly Hall. Major elements of the renovation work may include lowering of the event floor; adding guest suites, new bowl seating, and restroom facilities; replacing mechanical systems and controls to include air conditioning, building lighting and controls, and the electrical distribution system; addressing code and ADA requirements; and, enlarging the concourse for added concession space. A grand west entry addition featuring new administrative offices and new points of entry may be included. The Division of Intercollegiate Athletics is seeking approval to employ a professional services consultant to perform the programming and schematic design phases for this project. A key component of the project will include fundraising. It is anticipated the professional

services consultant will participate in the development of fundraising materials and upon completion of a successful campaign, will continue with the remaining phases of design and construction for this project.

In order for the project to proceed, it is necessary to employ an architect/engineer for the required professional services. The selection of the architect/engineer for this project was in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Public Act 87-673 (Architectural, Engineering and Land Surveying Qualifications-Based Selection Act).¹

Accordingly, the Vice President, University of Illinois and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that AECOM of Chicago, Illinois, be employed for the professional services required for the programming and schematic design phases of the project. The firm's fixed fee will be \$1,207,500; for authorized reimbursable expenses estimated at \$336,800; for other supplemental services for a fixed fee of \$538,625; and for other supplemental services for an hourly not-to-exceed fee of \$164,625.

¹A selection committee consisting of Dana Brenner (Assistant Director, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics), Ted Christy (Facilities and Services), Mike DeLorenzo (Office of the Chancellor), Kevin Duff (University Office of Capital Programs & Real Estate Services), Fred Hahn (Facilities and Services), and Kevin Ullestad (Director of Assembly Hall), interviewed the following firms: AECOM, Chicago, IL; BLDD Architects, Inc., Champaign, IL; Cannon Design, Chicago, IL; Populous, Kansas City, MO. The committee recommends AECOM, Chicago, IL, as best meeting the criteria for the project.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes*, *The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Funds for the project are available from the institutional funds operating budget of the Urbana-Champaign campus.

The President of the University concurs.