

Board Meeting  
March 13, 2007

## ROLL CALL

### AWARD CONTRACTS FOR LIBRARY AND UNDERGRADUATE LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT (SPRINKLERS) PROJECT, URBANA

**Action:** Approve Award of Contracts for Library and Undergraduate Library Improvement (Sprinklers) Project, Urbana

**Funding:** Institutional Funds Operating Budget

This \$4.0 million project is for the installation of fire suppression systems (sprinklers) in the stacks of the Main Library and Undergraduate Library to protect occupants and rare and valuable resources. The work recommended would include sprinkler protection for the library stacks (all levels including attic), a preaction type sprinkler system and detection system for the Rare Book Room and manuscript area within the library, sprinkler protection for the entire Undergraduate Library and the connecting tunnel, and replacement of all “on/off” sprinklers in the sixth stack addition of the library. In addition, new dropped ceilings and lighting are planned for the Undergraduate Library plaza level pavilions, removal of an existing dumbwaiter in the library stacks, increased electrical power for new equipment and lights, a new fire alarm panel in the library, and minor modifications to lighting the library stacks are also included.

The Chancellor at Urbana with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that the Board approve for award the following contracts<sup>1</sup> to the lowest responsible bidder in each division on the basis of its base bid plus acceptance of the indicated alternates.<sup>2</sup> Competitive bidding procedures in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code were followed.

Division 6 – Sprinkler Work

Fire Suppression Systems, Champaign, IL	Base Bid	\$1,870,000
	Alternate 1	138,000
	Alternate 2	141,100
	Alternate 3	70,000
	Alternate 4	87,200
	Alternate 5	<u>117,000</u>
TOTAL		\$2,423,300

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 the Board of Trustees policies and directives.

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

The President of the University concurs.

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<sup>1</sup>Contracts for divisions that were awarded within the delegated approval levels: Division 1 (General Work)--Commercial Builders, Inc., Champaign, IL--\$207,500; and Division 5 Electrical Work--Coleman Electrical Service, Inc., Mansfield, IL--\$85,230.

<sup>2</sup>Description of Alternates: Alternate 1 provides wet automatic sprinkler protection for Main Library basement; Alternate 2 provides wet automatic sprinkler protection for Main Library first floor; Alternate 3 provides wet automatic sprinkler protection for Main Library second floor; Alternate 4 provides wet automatic sprinkler protection for Main Library third floor; and Alternate 5 provides wet automatic sprinkler protection for Main Library fourth floor.

A schedule of the bids received have been filed with the Secretary of the Board for record.

(Construction will begin in April 2007. The Undergraduate Library is scheduled to be completed by August 2007 with the remainder of the project to be completed in August 2008.)