

Board Meeting
September 8, 2005

ROLL CALL

EMPLOY ARCHITECT/ENGINEER FOR LIBRARY AND UNDERGRADUATE
LIBRARY IMPROVEMENT (SPRINKLERS) PROJECT, URBANA

Action: Approve Employment of Architect/Engineer for Library and Undergraduate Library Improvements (Sprinklers) Project, Urbana

Funding: Institutional Funds Operating Budget

The \$4.0 million Library and Undergraduate Library Improvement (Sprinklers) project will install fire suppression systems in the stacks of the Library and throughout the Undergraduate Library to protect occupants and rare valuable resources. These improvements will yield a significant improvement to the buildings.

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

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The*

¹ A selection committee consisting of Edward Scopel (Facilities & Services), Jeff Schrader (Facilities & Services), Timothy Zimmer (Facilities & Services), Guy Grant (Facilities & Services), Craig Grant (Facilities & Services) and Dave Marker (Facilities & Services) interviewed the following firms (listed in ranking order): 1) Gage-Babcock & Associates, Oak Brook; 2) Rolf Jensen, Chicago; and 3) Moorhead-Gruber Architects, Champaign. The committee recommends Gage-Babcock & Associates, as best meeting the criteria for the project.

General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Accordingly, the Chancellor at Urbana with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that Gage-Babcock & Associates, Oak Brook, Illinois, be employed for the professional services required. The firm's fees are schematic design through construction administration, including on-site observation at a fixed fee of \$358,585 and warranty and reimbursables estimated at \$24,700.

Funds for the contract are available from institutional funds operating budget.

The President of the University concurs.