Approved by the Board of Trustees

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ROLL CALL

# APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET FOR COMPUTER DESIGN RESEARCH AND LEARNING CENTER, CHICAGO

# (Capital Development Board Project)

**Action:** Approve Project Budget for Computer Design Research and Learning

Center

**Funding:** Institutional Funds Operating Budget, Gift Funds, and State Capital Appropriations

In July 2019, the Board approved the selection of Professional Services Consultant Booth Hanson, Ltd., to provide full design services for the Computer Design Research and Learning Center project. In March 2020, the Board approved the design and a project budget of $117.8 million. The project will construct a new building located west of Halsted Street on the north side of Taylor Street and adjacent to the Science and Engineering Laboratories. The new facility is approximately 127,000 gross square feet and is intended to accommodate the Department of Computer Science. It will also include auditoria and lecture halls, classrooms, social and collaboration spaces, dry laboratories, faculty and staff offices, student organization spaces, and special program spaces. The project is designed to meet LEED Gold certification.

During construction, an unusually high number of unforeseen conditions were encountered, including site obstructions, relocation of ComEd utility lines and City of Chicago water lines, unsuitable soil conditions, and high material escalation costs that resulted from recent inflation and supply chain issues. To complete the project, it is necessary to increase the project budget with contributions from State Appropriations for Capital Renewal by $7.0 million for a total project budget of $124.8 million.

Accordingly, for the project to proceed further, the Interim Chancellor, University of Illinois Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois, with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers, recommends that the budget for the Computer Design Research and Learning Center project be increased by $7.0 million for a total budget of $124.8 million.

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 Procedures*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Funds for this project are available from the institutional funds operating

budget of the University of Illinois Chicago, gift funds, and State capital appropriations.

The President of the University of Illinois System concurs.