Approved by the Board of Trustees

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ROLL CALL

# APPROVE PROJECT BUDGET INCREASE, REPLACE MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, BIOLOGIC RESOURCES LABORATORY, CHICAGO

**Action:** Approve Project Budget Increase, Replace Mechanical Equipment,

Biologic Resources Laboratory

**Funding:** Institutional Funds Operating Budget and Federal Grant Funds

In November 2020, the Board approved the Replace Mechanical Equipment, Biologic Resources Laboratory project with a budget of $17,024,984. The purpose of the project is to upgrade existing mechanical and plumbing equipment in the facility to correct deficiencies and meet energy performance requirements.

In July 2021, the Board approved the Construction Contracts for four major divisions of work: General Work, Heating/AC, Ventilation, and Electrical.

Subsequent to project approval, UIC was awarded a grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) for $6,749,090. The construction start date was postponed for 12 months to allow for the completion of the NIH review process and to receive the funding. This 12-month delay resulted in material escalation costs due to inflation. To proceed with construction, it is necessary to approve the project budget increase that is necessary for the anticipated construction cost escalation of $2,535,670.

Accordingly, the Interim Chancellor, University of Illinois Chicago, and Interim Vice President, University of Illinois System with the concurrence of the appropriate administrative officers recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Replace Mechanical Equipment, Biologic Resources Laboratory Project Budget Increase of $2,535,670, for a total project budget of $19,560,654.

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 the Board of Trustees policies and directives.

Funds for this project are available from the NIH grant and Institutional Funds Operating Budget of the University of Illinois Chicago.

The President of the University of Illinois System concurs.