

May 26-27, 2021

**ITEM 194-2009-R0521**

**Request for Authorization to Expend \$700,000 of General Spending Authority for South Campus Energy District (Phase 1); Montana State University**

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**THAT**

Consistent with BOR Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to spend up to \$700,000 of MUS General Spending Authority to design and install sustainable energy systems for the South Campus Energy District.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. MSU is requesting authority to plan, design and construct sustainable energy distribution systems to support the expansion of the South Campus Energy District.
  2. A portion of this infrastructure (solar array) will be located on the new Student Wellness Center, as well as the area south of Grant Street, to help the University prepare for potential future projects in the southern portion of campus.
  3. The new energy district will offset energy use for several buildings south of Grant Street, including the Student Wellness Center, Shroyer Gym and Brick Breeden Field House, and will allow connections and energy costs savings to be applied to future buildings in the southern portion of campus.
  4. MSU has begun developing the South Campus Energy District with the completion of Norm Asbjornson Hall and will be expanding the district with two new buildings coming online, including Romney Hall and Student Wellness Center.
  5. No new space will be created with this request.
  6. The work will be paid for with campus maintenance funds.
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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1: Physical Plant B 1003.7