

May 18-19, 2022

ITEM 200-2012-R0522

Request for Authorization to Redesign and Renovate Food Service Space within the Strand Union Building; Montana State University

THAT

Consistent with the Board's authority to manage and control the Montana University System, BOR Policy 1003.7 Authorization for Building Projects, and MCA 20-25-302 (1) (c), (d), the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to expend up to \$2,000,000 to design and construct an improved food service location in the Strand Union Building.

EXPLANATION

1. The Strand Union Building (SUB) is a central hub for campus and serves as the living room of campus for students and visitors with essential student success services, event spaces, and food service venues among other operational functions.
 2. ASMSU Leadership has voiced an ardent desire to upgrade the food offerings in the main food court as a catalyst for more robust student usage of the facility.
 3. The Strand Union Building was expanded and partially renovated in 2008. However, the Union Market Food Court area did not undergo a dramatic improvement at that time due to budget constraints.
 4. The food offerings in the SUB are currently limited by the existing infrastructure and space arrangement.
 5. Aging infrastructure in the food service area requires improvement to serve students and campus visitors well into the future.
 6. Improving space within the Union Market area will improve future food options in the SUB and will modernize critical food service equipment for safe food preparation.
 7. This work will be paid for using Auxiliary Services Revenues in excess of Debt Service requirements.
 8. No additional operations and maintenance costs are anticipated with this project.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Physical Plant 1003.7