TOPIC: University of Maryland, College Park: Shuttle UM Relocation

COMMITTEE: Finance

DATE OF COMMITTEE MEETING: October 7, 2010

SUMMARY: The University of Maryland, College Park (UMCP) requests Board of Regents approval to relocate its existing Shuttle UM facility from its present location at east campus to parking lot 4i. This project is one of several relocation projects that will be implemented as part of the East Campus redevelopment. The existing 10,960 GSF Shuttle UM facility is located within the first phase development area of the East Campus project. A replacement facility of the same size will be constructed on Parking Lot 4i located on east side of Paint Branch Drive located on the northern part of the campus adjacent to the field hockey and lacrosse complex. This new facility will accommodate 86 buses, contain a four-bay shuttle repair facility, a parts storage area, an above ground diesel fuel storage tank and fuel dispensing station and support offices. The new facility will also include a green roof for the management of storm water and a geothermal mechanical system to assist with meeting the requirements of a LEED Silver certification. Aesthetic improvements to the façade will be made to help screen the building and bus compound from Paint Branch Drive which is a major campus thoroughfare.

Design is underway and is approximately 65% complete. Construction is expected to begin in February 2011 and be completed by November 2011. Total project cost is estimated at $6,250,000 including design fees ($500,000) and CM and project management fees ($200,000).

ALTERNATIVE(S): The relocation of the Shuttle UM facility is a critical element for the redevelopment of the East Campus as is its continued operation. Many people rely on the Shuttle UM for their daily commute (2.5 million passenger rides in FY 2010) to and around campus including individuals with disabilities. The service also provides a safe and convenient means of transportation in and around campus at night. The university believes the selected location on existing parking lot 4i to be the best site for the relocation in order to meet the service expectations of the campus community, especially the students.

FISCAL IMPACT: The $6,250,000 project budget will be funded from institutional Plant Funds. There will be no impact to student fees.

CHANCELLOR’S RECOMMENDATION: That the Finance Committee recommend that the Board of Regents authorize for the University of Maryland, College Park the relocation of the UMCP Shuttle UM facility and operations from its present site on east campus to parking lot 4i as described above, at a total project cost of $6,250,000.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: DATE:

BOARD ACTION: DATE:

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