

6241 Cass - Racer Trust Parking Lot Improvements

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors authorize the President, or his designee, to proceed with the design, solicitation of bids and the award of contracts to complete improvements to the parking lot located at 6241 Cass Avenue (Racer Trust Lot) for a project cost not to exceed \$650,000. Funding for this project will be provided from the Parking and Transportation Services Auxiliary.

Background and Project Description

Located at 6241 Cass, at the northwest corner of Cass and Amsterdam, the Racer Trust parking lot was purchased by the University in November of 2014. The Integrative Biosciences Center (iBio) which will be occupied by University researchers and Henry Ford Health System beginning in July of 2015 is located on the southeast corner of Cass and Amsterdam. The 62,000 square foot lot will provide approximately 130 parking spaces to support the occupants of iBio.

Presently, the lot's asphalt surface is in disrepair, and is enclosed by a chain link fence on its east, south, and west sides, and a visibly damaged concrete wall on the north elevation. The project scope includes demolition of existing conditions, re-profiling the subsurface before asphalt placement to ensure proper drainage using the existing functional underground piping and catch basins, new asphalt paving including striping, and landscaped islands. New lighting and gate access equipment will be installed, as well as ornamental fencing similar to improvements made at other University surface lots.

All contracts for this project will be awarded in accordance with University policies and procedures and with a focus on sustainability.