

**Weight Room Addition to the
Frederick C. Matthaei Physical Education Center
Budget Increase Authorization**

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Governors authorize the President, or his designee, to award contracts to design and construct a weight room addition to the Matthaei Physical Education Center. It is further recommended that the Board of Governors increase authorization for spending from \$2,300,000 to \$2,621,860 to construct the facility. Funding for this project is provided temporarily from university cash and permanently from the next university bond issuance, and \$91,860 of gift funding as identified in the new budget summary.

Background and Project Description

In March of 2017 the Board of Governors approved the project to construct a weight room on the west side of the Matthaei building. The project was implemented under a Design-Build contract relationship and is now under construction. The project has seen unanticipated increases, but those increases were within the allowable 10% threshold for requiring a board approval authorization. (These increases included design modifications to address a new energy code, a necessary relocation of the fiber connection, and an increase in electrical panel capacity for future needs.) At this juncture a decision must be made on the exterior cladding. It was believed that the project could accommodate a cementitious (concrete look) cladding within the budget up until two months ago when our contractor informed the University that we needed to explore less expensive materials. The less expensive metal cladding can provide an acceptable aesthetic, but there is concern that over time it might be susceptible to denting. Athletics explored gifts to fund the cementitious cladding and has been successful identifying gift sources to fund the additional costs. The University proposes to increase the project budget to recognize all current overages beyond the original Board approved budget and also increase the budget to include gift funding for the cementitious cladding.

The Frederick C. Matthaei Physical Education Center was constructed in 1967 and supports most of the University's physical education programs and competitive sports training and competition venues. The existing weight room was configured from former racquetball courts. It is cramped for the number of students served, and lacks adequate ventilation. Existing space within the building was unavailable to develop a new weight room, and a building addition was determined to best satisfy the needs of the athletes.

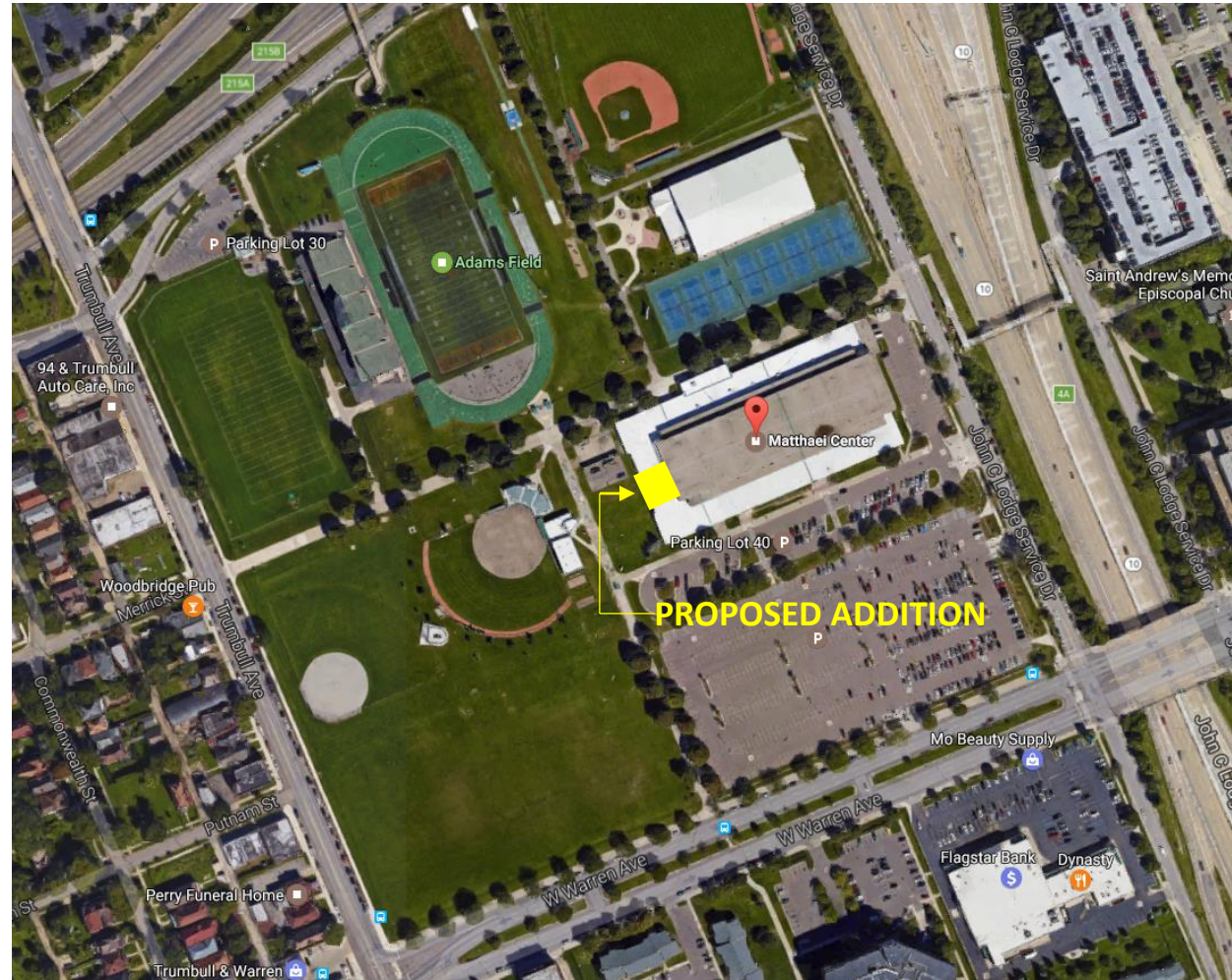
The project scope includes the single sourced design and construction of a building addition. The addition is being constructed on the west side and connected to the Matthaei building. The project is being delivered utilizing a Design-Build relationship, wherein the design of the addition is provided by the builder. Current plans call for project completion in April 2018. All contracts for this project have been awarded in accordance with University policies and procedures.

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The purpose of the new addition is to provide a comprehensive weight room for the student-athletes. The existing weight room, located in the basement of the building, will be vacated and is not included in the scope of this project. The new facility, serving 400 male and female students who participate in the 18 intercollegiate varsity sports, is planned to provide an open area weight room, offices, a conference room, nutrition station, and facility support spaces in approximately 11,000 square feet of space. The new facility will be a showcase for recruits and parents.

Project Budget

Funding Sources	
Bonds (bridged with University Cash)	\$2,530,000.00
Gifts	\$91,860.00
TOTAL Sources	\$2,621,860.00
Expenditures Plan	
Design/Build Contract	\$2,551,860.00
Project Management Fees	\$70,000.00
TOTAL Expenditures	\$2,621,860.00



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