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MEMORANDUM

To: Committee on Budget and Finance

From: Daniel Bollman  
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Subject: Authorization to Plan  
Health, Wellness and Fitness Center

RECOMMENDATION
The Trustee Committee on Budget and Finance recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to plan for a new recreational facility focused on student health and wellness.

RESOLUTION
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby authorizes the Administration to plan for the project entitled “Health, Wellness and Fitness Center.”

BACKGROUND
The principal recreation facilities at Michigan State University range in age from 40-100 years old. The university previously did not have a dedicated funding stream to maintain and renew these facilities, and it has been a struggle to meet student needs.

In June, the university instituted a student recreational facility fee to create a clear path forward to providing preeminent facilities and programs for the health and wellness of the Spartan community.

Description of Project:
This project is anticipated to include a new recreation center to replace the current IM West with a modern structure and facilities that address current student recreation and fitness needs, with an eye towards future development.
The anticipated location for the new facility is on northern portion of the former Cherry Lane site (formerly the “Faculty Bricks”) bounded by Shaw Lane, Birch Road, and Harrison Road, in the north mixed-use district.

**Communication Plan:**
Input will continue to be solicited from the campus community during the planning phase.

**Preliminary Project Cost Information**
The planning for this project will incur costs for consultants, designers, and cost estimating. The source of funds for the project is expected to be from financing with debt repayment from the student recreational facility fee.

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