



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Executive Action Summary

Committee Name Budget & Finance

Date February 7, 2025

Agenda Item: Authorization to Proceed - Intercollegiate Athletics – Outdoor Tennis Courts and Support Building

Information

Review

Action

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby authorizes the Administration to proceed with the project titled “Intercollegiate Athletics – Outdoor Tennis Courts and Support Building with a project budget of \$10 million.

Recommendation:

The Trustee Committee on Budget & Finance recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to proceed with improvements to the outdoor tennis courts and the creation of a support building.

Prior Action by BOT: The Board authorized planning for this project on April 12, 2024.

Responsible Officers: Daniel Bollman, Vice President for Strategic Infrastructure Planning and Facilities

Alan Haller, Vice President and Director of Intercollegiate Athletics

Summary: This project will address the pressing need for modernized and safer facilities for the university's tennis program by rebuilding the deteriorating outdoor courts and improving spectator viewing areas. In addition, a new dedicated building will be constructed to provide essential amenities, including restrooms, locker rooms, and team spaces. This facility will be strategically located to create synergies with the Clara Bell Smith Academic Center for student-athletes, enhancing support for their academic and athletic development. The upgrades will ensure that the tennis program meets Big Ten standards, providing the athletes and staff with a high-quality environment that fosters success both on the court and in the classroom.

Background Information:

Currently, the university's tennis program lacks a dedicated support building and shares locker room space with the public at the indoor tennis facility located on Mt. Hope Road. This lack of proper team space limits the ability to provide athletes with the resources they need to excel. Furthermore, the existing outdoor courts are deteriorating, creating safety concerns for players. The new facility will address these issues, bringing the program's facilities up to Big Ten standards. The project will also improve the fan experience with enhanced spectator viewing areas, creating a more engaging environment for tennis events. The new facility will be named through a donor recognition process, honoring the individual's contribution to the university's growth and the advancement of its athletics program.









Source of Funds:

The project will be funded through a donor gift.

Resource Impact:

A gift of \$10 million from a donor specifically for the tennis program has been secured.

Tennis Courts

-  North Academic District
-  Central Academic District
-  South Academic District
-  Residential District
-  Athletic and Recreation District
-  Mixed Use District
-  Natural Areas District
-  Service District

