



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
Executive Action Summary

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Budget & Finance - Attachment 6

**Committee Name** Budget & Finance

**Date** June 13, 2025

**Agenda Item:** PLAN – IM West Planning Study

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**Information**

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**Review**

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**Action**

**Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of Michigan State University hereby authorizes the Administration to plan for the project titled “IM West Planning Study.”

**Recommendation:**

The Trustee Committee on Budget & Finance recommends that the Board of Trustees authorize the Administration to plan for IM West facility demolition or refurbishment for future recreation and fitness sports needs on campus.

**Prior Action by BOT:** Not applicable.

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

Vennie Gore, Executive Vice President for Administration

**Summary:**

In June 2023, the Board of Trustees approved the construction of the Student Recreation and Wellness Center as a replacement for Intramural Recreation Sport West (IM West). IM West was constructed in 1958 and has exceeded its useful life. The IM West outdoor pool was demolished due to unsustainable maintenance costs, and the building has significant deferred maintenance backlog that needs to be reviewed to determine next steps once the Student Recreation and Wellness Center opens in the Spring of 2026. The authorization to plan allows the University to evaluate options of demolition or refurbishment including the appropriate remediation of hazardous materials.

**Background Information:**

Demolition of the building will eliminate capital renewal backlog costs given that significant infrastructure upgrades for the building were delayed in anticipation of taking it offline. As part of the planning process, the architect firm of Moody Nolan will be engaged to update the 2021 IM Facilities Study for future needs of recreational space on campus. This will inform the decision to demolish or refurbish IM West. If the recommendation is to demolish IM West it is anticipated that the site will be restored to parking and green space, in alignment with the *Vision 2050: Integrated Facilities and Land Use Plan*.

**Source of Funds:**

Student Recreation Fee

**Resource Impact:**

The majority of IM West is not air-conditioned, the ventilation does not comply with current standards, and due to structural limitations, adding air conditioning is not feasible. Windows are aged, inefficient, and most of the air handling units and fire protection systems are at the end of their useful life. Overall, the facility's high energy consumption and outdated infrastructure make it a poor investment.

Demolition would eliminate a considerable amount of capital renewal needs and adaptive reuse would require a significant reinvestment. Both options should be weighed appropriately from a cost benefit perspective.

# IM West

## Demolition or Refurbishment

IM West

