

Sept. 19-20, 2012

**ITEM 156-2012-R0912**

**Authorization to Renovate Atkinson Quadrangle – Montana State University Bozeman**

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**THAT**

Consistent with the provisions of MCA 18-2-102(2)(b) the Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorizes MSU to proceed with the renovation of the Atkinson Quadrangle Residence Hall at the Bozeman campus. This Authorization is for \$1,200,000.

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**EXPLANATION**

1. The programs, services and amenities provided to students by MSU's housing enterprise contribute to student success and retention; however, the Atkinson Quadrangle Residence Hall facilities at the Bozeman campus has not been updated in several decades and needs to be upgraded to meet the demands of current students.
  2. The Atkinson Quadrangle Residence Hall, constructed in the late 1930's, is structurally sound; however, it has never been modernized, does not meet current building codes, falls significantly short in offering a variety of residence hall service options and amenities, and lacks the aesthetically pleasing environment demanded by today's student residents.
  3. MSU plans to renovate and update the facilities for a total project value of \$1,200,000.
  4. This project will be financed with maintenance funds from Auxiliary Operations Revenue (Renewal and Replacement Budget) in excess of debt service obligations.
  5. This request authorizes MSU to proceed with design and renovations.
  6. All operations & maintenance costs will be paid from Auxiliary Operations Revenue.
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**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 - BOR Policy: Physical Plant B Section 1003.7