ITEM 167-2027-R0515

Authorization to Execute an Easement Agreement for City Water Service Extension; Montana State University

THAT

The Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to execute an easement agreement with the City of Bozeman to extend city water service to the new ROTC Field Storage Facility.

EXPLANATION

- 1. The existing city water line serving the old Faculty Court area of the MSU Campus was sized to serve only the few single-family residential houses that first occupied the area. After retiring many of the old residence buildings and installing two modular lab facilities and the university records storage facility over a decade ago, the capacity of the existing water line has been exceeded.
- 2. Construction of the new ROTC Field Storage Facility will require the installation of a new water line to increase capacity and to complete a loop to assure uninterrupted service in the future. This installation will also assure continuity of service and adequate capacity for the fire sprinkler systems in the new building and the existing records storage facility.
- MSU will benefit significantly from this water line installation in terms of enhanced building protection due to increased capacity for fire sprinkler systems and adequate water capacity to continue to develop this important area of campus in the future. This benefit satisfies requirements of BOR Policy 1003.6.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1 - Exhibit B - A drawing of the proposed easement