

September 20-21, 2023

ITEM 208-2014-R0923

Request for Authorization to Construct Gianforte Hall, a New Academic Building to Serve the Gianforte School of Computing and Related Creative Programs; Montana State University

THAT

Consistent with MCA 18-2-102 and BOR Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes Montana State University to expend up to \$50,000,000 to construct Gianforte Hall to serve the Gianforte School of Computing and related creative programs.

EXPLANATION

1. MSU received \$50,000,000 of legislative authority only for constructing Gianforte Hall to serve the Gianforte School of Computing in House Bill 5 of the 68th Legislative Session.
 2. The project will leverage the \$50 million donation provided by the Gianforte Family Foundation to support the growth of computing and associated industries in Montana.
 3. The project will construct a new academic building on the Bozeman campus to support teaching, education, and outreach in the fast-developing area of computing, including support for associated creative endeavors of film, photography, and music technology.
 4. MSU, the State of Montana, and hired design professionals have completed initial planning, programming, and schematic design as authorized under BOR Item 200-2010-R0522.
 5. This work will be paid for using project plant funds from donor accounts.
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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Project Details (BOR Policy 1003.7)