

March 14-15, 2024

ITEM 211-1005-R0324

Request for Authority to Construct Main Campus Parking; University of Montana-Missoula

THAT

Consistent with MCA 20-25-302 and BOR Policy 1003.7, the Board of Regents authorizes the University of Montana-Missoula to spend up to \$2,000,000 for the construction of parking lots on the Missoula campus.

EXPLANATION

1. In May 2023, UM received authority per BOR Policy 940.9.2 (Commissioner's Approval for projects less than \$500,000) for the planning and design to increase parking lots and spaces.
 2. As part of the Student Life Master Plan and anticipation of future construction in the southeast corridor of campus, UM seeks to improve parking spaces throughout the main campus.
 3. Parking on the main campus continues to be one of the top issues concerning students. This project is a proactive approach to offset some of the parking losses due to building construction and providing as many parking spaces as possible to students.
 4. The planning and design process identified four areas on campus for new parking lots that could produce up to 215 parking spaces. A portion of the plan calls for the elimination of some of the tennis courts located adjacent to the University Center (UC).
 5. A summer 2024 construction schedule would complete the parking areas in time for fall semester start of classes.
 6. This project will be funded with Capital Operating Bond Funds.
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ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment #1: Project Details (BOR Policy 1003.7)
- Attachment #2: UM Campus Parking Map