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ITEM 157-1903-R1112

Authorization to Expend Plant Funds to remodel second floor areas at Donaldson Campus to include ADA access options; Helena College University of Montana

THAT

The Board of Regents authorizes, in accordance with Montana University System Policy 940.9.2, the expenditure of up to \$350,000 of reverted appropriation funds for the repair and remodeling of second floor areas located at the Donaldson building of the Helena College University of Montana.

EXPLANATION

The Helena College Donaldson campus building has a second floor area that is comprised of concrete mezzanines. In the past this area was used for storage of large items utilized in our trades programs. Those programs and related items have been moved to our airport campus facility. A large air handler was recently removed from this area due to an upgrade to the heating and cooling system. As a result, there is now a large underutilized area in the building.

Currently the area is only accessible via two metal stair cases. The lack of ADA access makes it difficult to fully utilize the space. This remodel project would include the installation of a Limited Use Limited Access (LULA) elevator to reach the second floor and the addition of a testing lab, classroom space and office areas on the second floor.

An architect has developed a plan and cost estimates for the projects. The State Architecture and Engineering Division has reviewed those estimates. Based on that information the current projected cost is \$309,115. To allow for variability in bids, Helena College is requesting \$350,000 of authority. .

ATTACHMENTS

Required Project Information
