

September 24, 2026

ITEM 226-1006-R0926

Request for Authorization to Plan and Design the Phase 2 Remodel of Jesse Hall; 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 expend up to \$2,100,000 to plan and design the Phase 2 Remodel of Jesse Hall.

EXPLANATION

1. Jesse Hall is a residence hall on the University of Montana-Missoula campus, built in 1968. It is an 11-story high-rise structure with 404 beds.
2. In March 2025, the Board of Regents authorized UM-Missoula to expend up to \$2,000,000 (Item 217-1011-R0325) for construction of Phase 1 of the Jesse Hall remodel, which addressed corridor finishes and systems while modernizing the fire alarm system. Phase 1 was executed Summer 2025.
3. Phase 2 of the Jesse Hall remodel will upgrade living spaces, systems, and finishes to significantly improve this existing facility's function and residential experience. The projected Fall 2027 completion of Glacier Hall (new construction residence hall) allows Jesse Hall to be taken offline for an extended period to complete the remaining remodel.
4. This request authorizes UM-Missoula to expend up to \$2,100,000 to plan and design the Phase 2 Remodel. The planning phase will include a structural assessment and feasibility study to define the construction project scope and budget. Design will target goals established in planning for residential living spaces, common areas, and engineered systems.
5. UM-Missoula will return to the Board of Regents with a request for construction authority pending completion of Design Development, a construction cost estimate, and determination of funding plan.
6. The planning and design of the Phase 2 Remodel project will be funded with Auxiliary Revenue Funds.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment #1: Board of Regents Policy Physical Plant B Section 1003.7