

**AGENDA ITEM BRIEFING**

**Submitted by:** Michael K. Young, President  
Texas A&M University

**Subject:** Approval of the Revised Project Scope and Budget, Appropriation for Construction Services, and Approval of Construction for the Equine Phase II Initiative Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas (Project No. 2016-01317)

**Background and Prior Actions:**

The Equine Phase II Initiative Project was added to the FY 2017 – FY 2021 A&M System Capital Plan as a \$6,500,000 FY 2018 proposed project. Pursuant to System Policy 51.01 Section 1.3, the fiscal year designation for project initiation was changed from FY 2018 to FY 2017 in November 2016.

**Proposed Board Action:**

- (1) Approve the revised project scope and budget.
- (2) Appropriate \$6,191,401 for construction services and related project costs. \$650,000 has been previously appropriated to this project.
- (3) Approve construction of the Equine Phase II Initiative Project at Texas A&M University (Texas A&M).

**Funding/Budget Amount:**

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Budget Amount</u>	<u>Average Estimated Annual Debt Service</u>	<u>Debt Service Source</u>
Cash (Designated Tuition)	\$6,500,000	N/A	N/A
Cash (Income Equalization)	<u>\$ 341,401</u>	N/A	N/A
Total Project Funds	<u><u>\$6,841,401</u></u>		

**Project Justification:**

Texas A&M seeks to construct the next phase of a major equine complex. The complex will consist of facilities for Nutrition Research labs, a large covered feeding barn, wash bays, veterinary examination area, hay and grain storage area, nutrition turn-outs, pastures and fencing. The complex will be located on a site north-northeast of the Phase 1 Equine Initiative, between N. Harvey Parkway and Finfeather Road. The project will include a Master Plan of the site for

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future development of an academic building and new mare and stallion reproduction facility. The entrance will be at the intersection of Finfeather and Dairy Center Road. These facilities are a replacement of equine facilities that were located at the former Horse Center on George Bush Drive and were displaced as a result of the Park West development.

**Scope:**

Construction on this project is scheduled to start in March 2017 with substantial completion scheduled for November 2018 and occupancy scheduled for December 2018. The total project budget is \$6,841,401.

**Other Major Fiscal Impacts:**

None.

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Office of the President

December 14, 2016

Members, Board of Regents  
The Texas A&M University System

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I recommend adoption of the following minute order:

**“The revised project scope along with a project budget of \$6,841,401 for the Equine Phase II Initiative Project, at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas is approved.**

**The amount of \$5,850,000 is appropriated from Account No. 243507- Designated Tuition Contingent Income, and the amount of \$341,401 is appropriated from Account No 808803-Equine Relocation, for construction services and related project costs.**

**The Equine Phase II Initiative Project, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, is approved for construction.”**

Respectfully submitted,

**[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]**

Michael K. Young, President  
Texas A&M University

**Approval Recommended:**

**Approved for Legal Sufficiency:**

**[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]**

John Sharp  
Chancellor

**[ORIGINAL SIGNED BY]**

Ray Bonilla  
General Counsel

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Billy Hamilton  
Executive Vice Chancellor and  
Chief Financial Officer

<b>EQUINE PHASE II INITIATIVE PROJECT</b> <b>TEXAS A&amp;M UNIVERSITY</b> <b>PROJECT NO. 2016-01317</b>	<b>PROJECT BUDGET</b>
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1. Amount Available for Construction .....	5,696,611
2. Architectural/Engineering Fees .....	512,695
3. SSC Project Management Fees .....	199,264
4. Contingency.....	284,831
5. Geotechnical.....	20,000
6. Environmental System Balance.....	20,000
7. TAS/ADA Plan Review .....	3,000
8. Utility Charges (UES, Verizon, CIS) .....	80,000
9. Facility Services (Keying, Fire Alarm) .....	25,000
10. TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT .....	<u>\$6,841,401</u>

1. Execute A/E Agreement ..... November 7, 2016
2. Complete Schematic Design .....December 7, 2016
3. Complete Design Development .....January 2, 2017
4. Complete Construction Documents with Cost Estimate.....February 1, 2017
5. Board of Regents Approval for Construction .....February 9, 2017
6. CSP Evaluation .....March 6, 2017
7. Begin Construction .....March 20, 2017
8. Substantial Completion..... November 1, 2018
9. Beneficial Occupancy .....December 1, 2018

