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**REGISTER OF IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS**

Action Requested: Consider recommending approval of:

1. The following actions for the **Forker Building – Kinesiology Renovation** project, a major capital project as defined by Board policy:
 - a. Acknowledge receipt of the University’s initial submission of information to address the Board’s capital project evaluation criteria (see Attachment A);
 - b. Accept the Board Office recommendation that the project meets the necessary criteria for Board consideration; and
 - c. Authorize permission to proceed with project planning, including the design professional selection process.

Executive Summary:

The University requests permission to proceed with project planning for the **Forker Building – Kinesiology Renovation** project, which would renovate approximately 6,250 net square feet on the ground floor of the Forker Building for the College of Human Sciences Department of Kinesiology. The improvements would create additional faculty offices, restrooms and related required infrastructure; replace the exterior window units; and provide a fully automatic fire sprinkler system throughout the original 1940 portion of the building. The estimated project cost of \$5 million would be funded by University funds. The map showing the location of the Forker Building is included as Attachment B.

Details of the Project:

Forker Building – Kinesiology Renovation

Project Summary

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Board Action</u>
Permission to Proceed with Project Planning		Feb. 2015	Requested

In May 2012, the College of Human Sciences initiated a planning study to assess space for the Department of Kinesiology and related infrastructure. The study evaluated short-term and long-term space needs, building circulation, and opportunities to repurpose space that no longer met the needs of the College, the Department of Kinesiology and the University.

The Department of Kinesiology has experienced an 81% growth in enrollment since 2007; this growth has created a critical shortage of functional, programmatically appropriate space. Faculty office space is extremely overcrowded and of poor quality. Tenure track faculty have private offices, but most of the lecture faculty now share offices and there is no room for expansion as additional faculty are recruited.

Forker Building – Department of Kinesiology Remodeling
Evaluation Criteria

Since the project meets the Board's definition of a major capital project, the University has provided the following information in response to the Board's evaluation criteria.

Institutional Mission / Strategic Plan: The Iowa State University Kinesiology Department is ranked among the top 20 in the nation by the National Academy of Kinesiology. The department supports the university's goals of learning, discovery and engagement through the following: enhance academic excellence in learning and teaching, excellence and translation of research and discovery, and the impact of outreach and service. The department promotes health and well-being by creating and disseminating knowledge about physical activity and healthy living to improve the lives of the citizens of Iowa, the United States, and the world.

The vision of the Kinesiology department is to be among the best kinesiology departments in creating knowledge, translating discoveries into practice, and preparing individuals with expertise in the science of physical activity as it impacts health and well-being.

Other Alternatives Explored: The Forker Building is the home of the Department of Kinesiology and houses the departmental administrative offices, faculty and graduate student offices, classrooms, as well as teaching and research labs that support the department's activities. Many of the spaces in the building respond directly to the programmatic needs of the department. The department's needs are best met by renovating and repurposing existing, nonfunctional space in the building to expand the amount of space available to meet critical programmatic needs in Forker, which allows the department to maintain critical functional adjacencies among faculty, access to shared resources and equipment, and greater opportunity for increased collaboration among faculty and staff.

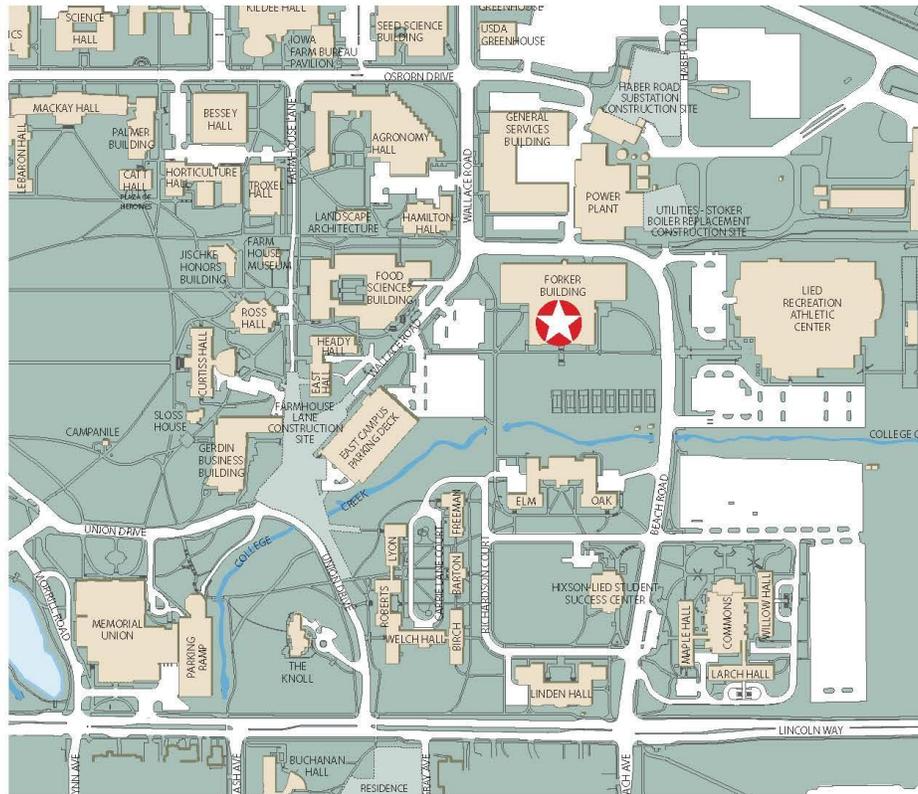
Impact on Other Facilities and Square Footage: This project will remodel approximately 6,250 square feet of poor quality, obsolete, and underutilized space in Forker Hall.

Financial Resources for Construction Project: Project funding is in place and available for this project.

Financial Resources for Operations and Maintenance: Any additional operational and maintenance costs will be funded by the College of Human Sciences.

External Forces Justifying Approval: Kinesiology and health is the largest major in the College of Human Sciences and has seen a significant increase in enrollment over the past several years. To support world class faculty, ground-breaking research, and a diverse student body, additional space is required.

FORKER BUILDING-KINESIOLOGY RENOVATION



Site Vicinity Map