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REGISTER OF UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS

Actions Requested: Consider approval of permission to proceed with project planning for the **Dancer and Bender Halls Fire Sprinkler Systems** project, a major capital project as defined by Board policy.

1. Acknowledge receipt of the University's initial submission of information to address the Board's capital project evaluation criteria (see Attachment A);
2. Accept the Board Office recommendation that the project meets the necessary criteria for Board consideration; and
3. Authorize permission to proceed with project planning, including the engineer selection process.

Executive Summary: The **Dancer and Bender Halls Fire Sprinkler Systems** project would install fire sprinklers in the University's two high-rise residence halls, which are located on the north campus (see Attachment B for map). While sprinkler systems are not required for these buildings by fire codes, the University wishes to enhance student safety in these residence halls.

The total estimated cost for the project is \$4,620,000, to be funded by Dormitory Improvement Funds.

Details of Project:

Dancer and Bender Halls Fire Sprinkler Systems

Project Summary

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Board Action</u>
Permission to Proceed		Oct. 2007	Requested
Initial Review and Consideration of Capital Project Evaluation Criteria		Oct. 2007	Receive Report

Dancer and Bender Halls Fire Sprinkler Systems

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: These projects support objectives 4.2 of the University's Strategic Plan, "Maintain safe and supportive working and living environments characterized by services and programs that promote individual well-being and organizational effectiveness."

Other Alternatives Explored: None.

Impact on Other Facilities and Square Footage: There will be no impact on other facilities or change in square footage.

Financial Resources for Construction Project: Residence System Improvement Funds.

Financial Resources for Operations and Maintenance: Room and board revenue.

External Forces: Fire and life safety concerns.

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