

1. Title

Capital Improvement Program

2. Rule and Regulation

- Sec. 1 Annual Status Report. The University of Texas System Administration will maintain a Capital Improvement Program (CIP) on an ongoing basis. Although the CIP is a dynamic document subject to change throughout the year, a report detailing the current status of the CIP will be formally presented to the Board of Regents no less than annually.
- Sec. 2 Contents of Program. The CIP will consist of a six-year projection of major new construction and repair and rehabilitation projects (Major Projects) to be implemented and funded from institution and Systemwide revenue sources. The CIP should be a current reflection of the institutions' continuous processes of strategic planning and master planning for institutional programs.
- Sec. 3 Modifications to the CIP. The CIP is subject to modification at any Board of Regents' meeting. Candidate projects will routinely be added to the CIP, and project information such as funding sources, project cost, and delivery dates will routinely be revised. For Major Projects seeking Board action, the institutional president will submit a request for inclusion on the Board of Regents' agenda. Requests to add to or modify the CIP will be reviewed in accordance with the processes administered by the Office of Facilities Planning and Construction adopted in the CIP.
- Sec. 4 Preliminary Cost Expenditures for Major Projects. Approval by the appropriate Executive Vice Chancellor and the Chancellor will allow a Major Project to proceed to the Definition Phase. The Definition Phase provides authority for the U. T. System Administration and the institutional administration to expend institutional funds up to 5% of the anticipated total project cost to select the project architect and other consultants, confirm the basis of design, develop the formal Facility Program document, and develop schematic project plans. These funds will be provided by the institution initially but will be reimbursed to the institution from applicable project funds upon design development approval or upon submission of a project

application to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (if applicable), whichever is later.

Sec. 5 Addition of a Major Project to the CIP. Following the Definition Phase, addition of a project to the CIP provides authority for the U. T. System Administration and the institutional administration to expend institutional funds up to 10% of the anticipated total project cost to proceed to Design Development Approval. These funds will be provided by the institution initially but will be reimbursed to the institution from applicable project funds upon Design Development Approval or upon submission of a project application to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (if applicable), whichever is later.

Sec. 6 Institutional Management of a Major Project. Addition of a project to the CIP includes authorization of institutional management of Major Projects so designated in the CIP. Requests for institutional management shall be reviewed and approved by the Associate Vice Chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction. Projects approved for institutional management will be included in the CIP. Projects designated for institutional management shall follow the process, authority, and approvals as outlined in [Rule 80404](#) of the Regents' *Rules and Regulations* for the full amount stipulated in the CIP.

Sec. 7 Timing of Student Election. For such additions to the CIP that are anticipated to be funded in part by student fees, the project must be presented to the Board by the institutional President or his/her delegate and student representative(s) for approval prior to the call for a student election on the authorization or increase of the associated fee. This Section does not require a student election if one is not otherwise required by statute.

3. Definitions

Facility Program – A project planning document that organizes and summarizes client needs and programmatic information needed to design a capital project. It is generated through a process of collecting, analyzing, synthesizing, and documenting significant requirements for a Project prior to proceeding into the Design Phase.

Major Project – Any project that meets one or more of the following criteria: 1) new building construction with a total project cost of \$10 million or more, 2) road, paving, and repair and rehabilitation projects with a total

project cost of \$10 million or more, and 3) any project determined by the Board to be architecturally or historically significant.

4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes

None

5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms

Regents' *Rules and Regulations*, [Rule 80404](#) – Institutional Management of Major Construction and Repair and Rehabilitation Projects

6. Who Should Know

Administrators

7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule

Office of Business Affairs

8. Dates Approved or Amended

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9. Contact Information

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