

## **Capital Project for Sitework for the Marching Virginians Practice Facility**

### **JOINT FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE AND BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

**October 30, 2013**

In September 2013, the Board of Visitors approved a \$400,000 planning project for the Marching Virginians Practice Facility. The overall project scope includes an approximately 4,330 gross square foot building, a minimum 3,500 gross square foot outdoor covered pavilion attached to the main building, and a soccer-size artificial turf field with lighting.

The project delivery method for the building construction is intended to be Design-Bid-Build. Planning work is underway with an expected construction start in March 2014 for the main building and covered pavilion, pending approval of the design and a construction funding authorization by the Board of Visitors in March 2014. The main building and covered pavilion are expected to be complete and ready for use in early 2015.

The desired date for use of the practice field is ahead of the building construction to accommodate use during 2014 fall semester classes. A construction start date in March 2014 will not provide sufficient time to accommodate the necessary grading and sitework and meet the desired field use date of August 25, 2014. To ensure the practice field is ready for use when school opens in fall 2014, grading and sitework must begin prior to March 2014.

The cost estimate for the proposed grading and sitework is \$800,000. This request is to supplement the existing \$400,000 planning authorization with \$800,000 to initiate grading and sitework for an adjusted total project authorization of \$1,200,000. Funding sources are available and sufficient to cover these costs. A subsequent request for the remainder of the project construction cost may be submitted in March 2014 after the building design has progressed.

Under the 2006 Management Agreement between the Commonwealth of Virginia and the university, the Board of Visitors has the authority to approve the budget, size, scope, and funding of nongeneral fund capital outlay projects. This request is for a \$800,000 sitework authorization to supplement the existing \$400,000 planning authorization for the project.

**RESOLUTION ON CAPITAL PROJECT FOR SITEWORK FOR THE  
MARCHING VIRGINIANS PRACTICE FACILITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Visitors approved a \$400,000 planning project for the Marching Virginians Practice Facility in September 2013; and,

**WHEREAS**, the proposed project includes an approximately 4,300 gross square foot building, a minimum 3,500 gross square foot outdoor covered pavilion attached to the main building, and, a soccer-size artificial turf field with lighting; and,

**WHEREAS**, the project delivery method is intended to be Design-Bid-Build; and,

**WHEREAS**, planning work is underway for the main building and covered pavilion with an expected construction start in March 2014 and expected completion date in summer 2015; and,

**WHEREAS**, the desired date for use of the practice field component is the opening of classes, fall semester 2014; and,

**WHEREAS**, sitework for the practice field must begin before March 2014 to ensure the practice field is ready for use when school opens in fall 2014; and,

**WHEREAS**, the cost estimate for sitework is \$800,000 and the university has developed a 100 percent nongeneral fund resource plan to support the costs; and,

**WHEREAS**, under the 2006 Management Agreement between the Commonwealth of Virginia and the university, the Board of Visitors has authority to approve the budget, size, scope, and funding of nongeneral funded major capital outlay projects; and,

**WHEREAS**, the university may address minor cost variances provided sufficient funds are available to support the full project costs;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the university be authorized to supplement the existing \$400,000 planning authorization with \$800,000 for grading and sitework for the Marching Virginians Practice Facility funded entirely with nongeneral fund revenues.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the resolution authorizing Virginia Tech to implement grading and sitework improvements for the Marching Virginians Practice Facility be approved.

November 18, 2013