


September 29, 2021

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Andrew Agwunobi, MD, MBA 
Interim President | University of Connecticut
Chief Executive Officer | UConn Health

RE: Project Budget for Public Safety Building Improvements
(Revised Final: \$ 7,450,000)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve the Revised Final Budget of \$7,450,000, as detailed in the attached project budget, for the Public Safety Building Improvements project, for Construction. The increase of \$450,000 to the Project Budget is attributable to an existing communications duct bank that conflicted with the new addition's floor elevations, the additional primary feeder cost that was originally going to be leased by the University and the Dispatch furniture cost that was budgeted separately outside of the project budget. The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees adopt the Resolution below.

RESOLUTION:

“Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the use of \$7,400,000 in UCONN 2000 bond funds and \$50,000 in University Funds for the Public Safety Building Improvements project.”

BACKGROUND:

The Public Safety Building on North Eagleville Road is the headquarters for the Division of Public Safety and houses the UConn Police Department, UConn Fire Department, statewide Dispatch Center as well as Division administrative staff. The building serves to support UConn's statewide public safety efforts at all UConn campuses. The building was opened in 1992 and has not expanded in the nearly 30 years it has been occupied, even though the Division has grown significantly during this time. The dispatch center is undersized to handle the increase in statewide responsibilities, most notably UConn Health. The proposed facility will include gender equitable space for both police, fire and dispatch personnel as well as a safe and inviting lobby area for visitors to the building. The renovation moves the perception of UConn public safety from an early 1990's view of public safety (police centric) to a progressive and modern university public safety organization.

The scope of this project is to design and construct a new addition at the lawn area adjacent the existing fire department equipment bays to house the fire department staff. The floor area in the existing facility currently occupied by the Fire Department will be renovated to provide additional locker areas for the Police Department, and an expanded dispatch area. To address potential security concerns, a new entrance vestibule and site upgrades are a component of the project scope. The final design is based upon drawings prepared by an architecture firm which have been reviewed during planning and design and approved by the Public Safety Department.

The Public Safety Building Improvements project is currently in the Construction phase with completion in Summer 2022.

The Public Safety Building Improvements project will conform to Connecticut High Performance Building Code regulations where feasible. The project does not fall within the Statute requirements of a new building construction cost of \$5 million or greater, and the renovation portion of the project is not a construction cost of \$2 million or greater. Applying the high-performance standards to the entire existing building would be burdensome and possibly force changes that are otherwise not within the budget.

The Revised Final Budget is based on cost of these changes. Additional scope includes relocation of the communications duct bank, assuming the cost of the primary feeder wires and incorporating the furniture budget from another University account into this project.

The Revised Final Budget is attached for your information and reflects an increase of \$450,000 to the previously approved Final Budget of \$7,000,000.

Attachments

CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET REPORTING FORM

TYPE BUDGET: REVISED FINAL

PROJECT NAME: PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

	APPROVED PLANNING 10/31/2016	APPROVED DESIGN 8/10/2018	APPROVED FINAL 3/27/2019	APPROVED REVISED FINAL 12/9/2020	PROPOSED REVISED FINAL 9/29/2021
<u>BUDGETED EXPENDITURES</u>	PRC	PRC			
CONSTRUCTION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,200,000	\$ 5,550,000	\$ 5,900,000
DESIGN SERVICES	50,000	370,000	462,000	555,000	555,000
TELECOMMUNICATIONS	-	5,500	60,000	60,000	60,000
FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT	-	-	82,000	18,000	118,000
CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION	2,500	32,500	90,000	56,100	56,100
OTHER AE SERVICES (including Project Management)	2,500	14,500	162,750	274,400	274,400
ART	-	-	-	-	-
RELOCATION	-	8,500	50,000	55,000	55,000
ENVIRONMENTAL	-	9,500	9,500	4,500	4,500
INSURANCE AND LEGAL	-	-	-	-	-
MISCELLANEOUS	-	9,000	9,500	1,000	1,000
OTHER SOFT COSTS	-	-	-	-	-
SUBTOTAL	\$ 55,000	\$ 449,500	\$ 4,125,750	\$ 6,574,000	\$ 7,024,000
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	10,000	38,500	424,250	426,000	426,000
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 65,000</u>	<u>\$ 488,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,450,000</u>
<u>SOURCE(S) OF FUNDING*</u>					
UNIVERSITY FUNDS	\$ 65,000	\$ 488,000	\$ 4,550,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
UCONN 2000 BOND FUNDS	-	-	-	6,950,000	7,400,000
TOTAL BUDGETED FUNDING	<u>\$ 65,000</u>	<u>\$ 488,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,550,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 7,450,000</u>

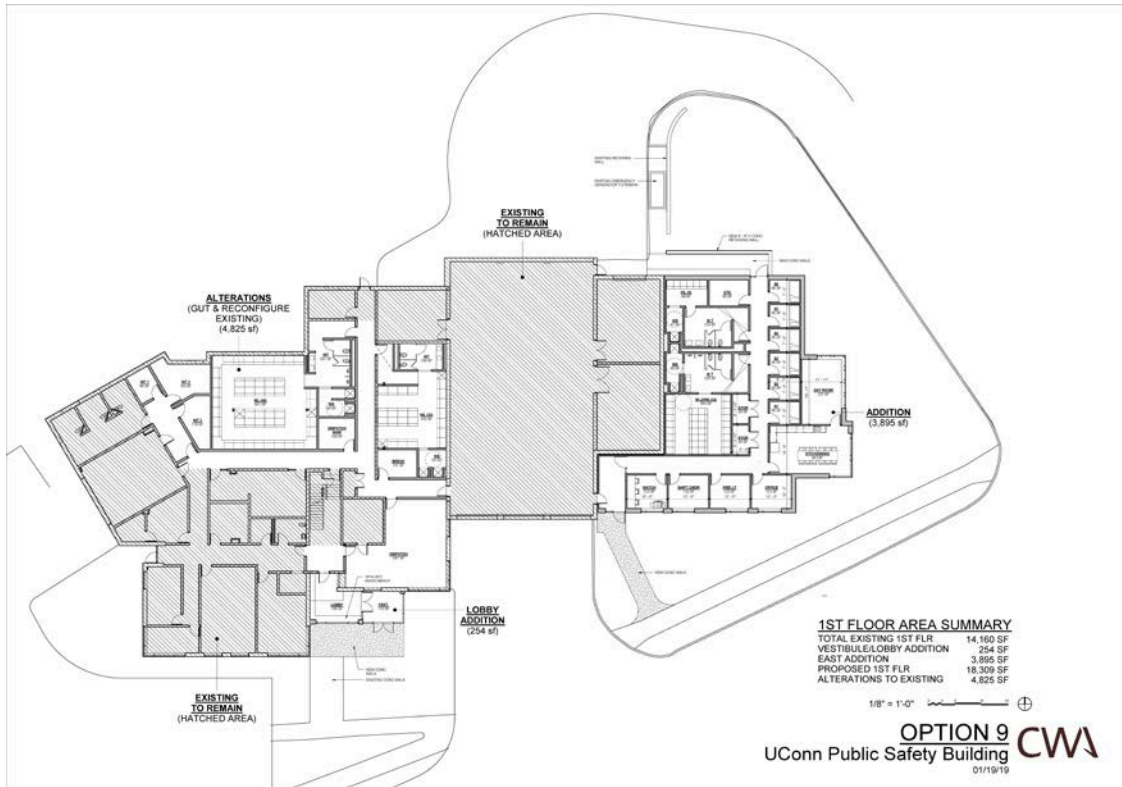
* This budget reflects the University's current intended source(s) of funding for the specified project. The University may adjust this funding plan in order to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state law(s) or to strategically utilize all fund sources, within the approved budget amount, as appropriate.

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East Addition Foundation





Proposed Floor Plan



Addition Massing Study