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CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT

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AGENDA ITEM: 4(b)

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Capital Project – Relocation of the Centre for Criminology

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Pursuant to Section 5.2. (b) of its Terms of Reference, the Business Board approves expenditures for, and the execution of, approved Capital Projects.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

This is the first time this project is being presented to the Business Board. Other Board and Committee approval to date include:

- Planning and Budget Committee on May 9, 2006

HIGHLIGHTS:

During the summer of 2005, the University received a gift from a benefactor to fund the expansion of the Centre for Hong Kong and Canada Hong Kong Resources Canada Hong Kong Library. The proposed location for such expansion is space contiguous with the East Asian Library, on the 8th floor of the Robarts Library, in space now occupied by the Centre for Criminology.

The Centre for Criminology occupies approximately 720 nasm. It is proposed that the Centre for Criminology be relocated into appropriate space outside of the Robarts building in order to make room for the expansion of the Richard Charles Lee Canada Hong Kong Library.

The preferred location for the Centre for Criminology is the Canadiana Building, at 14 Queens Park Crescent West.

The Centre for Criminology is home to the leading Canadian research collection of criminological material. Approximately 30,000 volumes of monographs and serials are held here. Academics, students, government agencies, practitioners, the media and the general public use this library as a valuable source of criminological reference material.

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Space in the Canadiana Building has been identified to accommodate the Centre for Criminology. This location, on the west side of Queen's Park Crescent directly across from the Provincial Legislature and having a street address, will provide an opportunity to make the Centre more visible. The Canadiana Building will require immediate renovations to make the ground level space, including the library accessible by all. The second level will not be barrier free accessible at this time because of budget constraints, but it is the goal of the University to provide full accessibility for this building in the near future. One room, on the ground floor, will be made available for faculty/student meetings to accommodate those who cannot access the Centre in the interim.

The total project cost for the Centre for Criminology is estimated to be \$ **2,109,000**.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

The total project cost for the Centre for Criminology will be \$ 2.109 million. This amount is comprised of \$ 1.255 million for the improvement for Criminology and \$ 854,000 to address the deferred maintenance issues of the building. The operating costs associated with the Centre for Criminology in the Canadiana Building are estimated to be approximately \$ 100,000 annually, however, the final operating cost will be determined by Facilities and Services after one year of operation in the renovated facility.

The project will not affect the borrowing projections of the capital program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it resolved

Subject to Governing Council approval of the project,

THAT the Vice-President, Business Affairs be authorized to execute the Centre for Criminology project in the Canadiana Building, at a total project cost not to exceed \$ 2,109,000 using the following sources of funding:

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| • Faculty of Arts and Science | \$ 1,000,000 |
| • Deferred Maintenance Funds 2005-2006 | 400,000 |
| • Facilities Renewal Funds carry forward | 709,000 |