Agendum
Oakland University
Board of Trustees Formal Session
August 12, 2014

APPROVAL OF LIBRARY DRIVE EASEMENTS AND ACCEPTANCE OF LONEDALE ROAD A Recommendation

- 1. <u>Division and Department:</u> Finance and Administration Division, Facilities Management Department
- 2. <u>Introduction:</u> Oakland University (University) has been in discussions with the City of Auburn Hills (City) to secure easements to complete the connection of Library Drive to Squirrel Road as relates to the Board of Trustees (Board) approved Library Drive Extension project. Two easements are necessary; one granted by the City to the University to connect Library Drive to Squirrel Road, and one granted by the University to the City to move the location of the existing bike path onto University property.

In addition, the City has proposed vacating and conveying marketable, insurable title to a portion of Lonedale Road (Lonedale Road) to the University which is a rarely used dirt road surrounded on all sides by University property, except for its connection to Squirrel Road. Lonedale Road has been inspected by the University's Facilities Management Department and has been found to be in reasonable condition. The University will close Lonedale Road once conveyed to the University.

- 3. <u>Previous Board Action:</u> On February 12, 2013 the Board approved the Library Drive Extension project.
- 4. <u>Budget Implications:</u> Lonedale Road will be conveyed by the City to the University by Quit Claim Deed for \$1.00. Construction costs for connecting Library Drive to Squirrel Road are budgeted within the previously approved Library Drive Extension project.
- 5. Educational Implications: None.
- 6. Personnel Implications: None.
- 7. <u>University Reviews/Approvals:</u> This agendum was formulated by the Associate Vice President for Facilities Management and reviewed by the Vice President for Finance and Administration, Interim President, and the Board's Facilities Committee.
- 8. Recommendation:

WHEREAS, Oakland University (University) is constructing, locating and extending Library Drive to intersect with Squirrel Road as previously approved by the Board of Trustees; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills (City) is agreeable to granting an easement to the University over and across the City owned bike path to allow Library Drive to intersect with Squirrel Road; and

WHEREAS, due to the new intersection of Library Drive and Squirrel Road the City owned bike path must be relocated onto University property and an easement must be granted to the City to locate, access and maintain the bike path; and

WHEREAS, the City is the owner of and has jurisdiction over Lonedale Road which currently provides access from Squirrel Road to portions of the University; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to vacate and convey to the University by Quit Claim Deed all of its rights, title and interest in and to a portion of Lonedale Road (Lonedale Road); and

WHEREAS, the due diligence relative to the foregoing easements and conveyance has been completed and comports with the Board's Policy and Procedure for Disposal, Acquisition, Lease, and Other Transfer of Real Property Interests; and

WHEREAS, upon completion of the extension of Library Drive, the University intends to close access to Lonedale Road from Squirrel Road; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Vice President for Finance and Administration be authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement and/or easements with the City which will result in: the City granting an easement to the University to allow Library Drive to intersect with Squirrel Road; the University granting an easement to the City to allow the City's bike path to be repositioned; and the University accepting Lonedale Road by Quit Claim Deed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the agreements and/or easements be reviewed and approved by the Office of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel prior to execution, and be in compliance with the law and with University policies and regulations, and conform to the legal standards and policies of the Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel.

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9. <u>Attachments:</u> None.

Submitted to the President on _____, 2014 by

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Vice President for Finance and Administration and Treasurer to the Board of Trustees

Recommended on August 7, 2014 to the Board of Trustees for Approval by

Betty J. Youngblood

Interim President