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Introduction

As the State's public honors college, St. Mary's College of Maryland (SMCM) provides a premier liberal arts education that is both affordable and accessible awarding a variety of undergraduate degrees as well as a graduate Master of Arts in Teaching degree. With a faculty of gifted teachers and distinguished scholars, a talented and diverse student body, and a low student/faculty ratio, St. Mary's College provides a challenging curriculum within an academically nurturing environment. In addition, the College fosters a sense of social responsibility and community among its students through its curriculum and campus life.

As always, the College is grateful to the Governor and the Legislature for their ongoing commitment to higher education, in general, and to St. Mary's College specifically.

Capital Budget for FY 2020

The College concurs with the analyst's recommendations.

The College's FY20 – FY24 Capital Budget request includes three projects, a new academic building and auditorium, renovation to Goodpaster Hall, and infrastructure improvements. Our request is consistent with the Governor's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

FY20 – FY24 College Capital Budget Request

	FY20	Project Totals
New Academic Building and Auditorium		
• Design	\$ 1.9M	
• Construction/Equipment	<u>\$11.3M</u>	
	\$13.2M	\$79.7M*
*Project total includes \$4.1M College funds		
Campus Infrastructure Improvements (FY20 – FY24)	\$3.8M	\$16.9M
Goodpaster Hall Renovation		\$ 1.7M (Fiscal 2023)

New Academic Building and Auditorium

The project constructs a new academic building to house the departments of Music and Educational Studies, as well as study space, and a 700-seat auditorium. Relocating the Music and Educational Studies departments will enable the College to reallocate vacated space to the sciences (Goodpaster Hall) and the arts (Montgomery Hall). The new study space will provide a contemporary "Learning Commons" for student collaboration and research. The auditorium will provide an appropriately sized facility for concerts, lectures, and other uses that currently cannot occur for lack of a suitable facility on campus.

This project required the relocation of athletic fields to clear the site for the new building. The new athletic fields component of the project, the Jamie L. Roberts Stadium, includes a new grass playing field and a new artificial turf field with a running track. Support facilities include seating for 1,600 spectators (800 per field), team rooms, concessions, press box, and parking. The athletic fields have been completed and the artificial turf field has been in use since August 2018 for practices and games for our lacrosse and field hockey teams.

An archaeology study of the Jamie L. Roberts stadium site discovered 18th and 19th century slave dwellings. After consultation with Historic St. Mary's City, the Maryland Historic Trust, as well as internal and external stakeholders, the location of the stadium site was adjusted to avoid and preserve archaeological features to the greatest extent practical. A committee was created to determine how best to acknowledge these important findings and recommended that a contemplative memorial to commemorate the lives of enslaved people of Southern Maryland be erected on the site.

As part of the New Academic Building and Auditorium project, the College was provided State capital funds in the amount of \$0.5 million in FY19 for the construction of this memorial. The College recently selected an artist for the commemorative project after reviewing proposals from 57 artists from around the world. The College incorporated considerable input from both internal and community constituents in the process to develop the commemorative project and select the final artist.

The total estimated cost for the New Academic Building and Auditorium is \$79.7 million, with the College providing \$4.1 million. The College successfully completed and exceeded its fundraising requirement two years ahead of schedule. The FY20 request includes \$1.9 million for the final design costs and \$11.3 million for the initial construction costs. We also concur with the recommendation to pre-authorize \$28.2 million and \$17.0 million in construction funds in FY21 and FY22.

Campus Infrastructure Improvements

These projects will provide infrastructure improvements in multiple phases, addressing critical building HVAC systems, roof replacements, building envelopes, pedestrian safety, and campus roadways. The Governor's CIP includes \$3.8 million in FY20 for a total \$16.9 million from FY20 through FY24. The College concurs with the analyst recommendation to provide FY20 funding in accordance with the Governor's CIP.

Goodpaster Hall Renovation

State funding of \$1.7 million is included in FY23 for new science laboratories after the current occupants relocate to the New Academic Building and Auditorium. Non-budgeted funds from the College totaling \$0.153 million are scheduled in FY22 for the design of the renovation.

Anne Arundel Hall

Anne Arundel Hall was completed in 2017. The College concurs with the recommendation to de-authorize \$361,662 in FY14 and FY15 Funds.

