

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

PROJECT NAME: Football Operations Facility Construction
REQUESTED ACTION: Establish Project
REQUESTED ACTION AMOUNT: \$62,500,000
INITIAL CHE APPROVAL DATE: N/A

<u>Source of Funds</u>	<u>Phase I (Pre-Design)</u>	<u>Phase II (Construction)</u>	<u>Total Proposed Budget</u>
Private Gifts (Athletic)	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
Athletic Revenue Bonds	\$0	\$61,000,000	\$61,000,000
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$1,500,000</i>	<i>\$61,000,000</i>	<i>\$62,500,000</i>

DESCRIPTION:

The University requests approval to establish a project to construct a football operations facility. The approximately 157,000 square foot facility will house all football operational functions. The facility will include coaches’ offices, team meeting rooms, student-athletic and coaches’ locker rooms, a weight room, training room, equipment room, and related spaces. The facility will be constructed near the Indoor Football Practice Facility and the outdoor practice field and will bring all football activity into close proximity.

The University contracted for a feasibility study for a football operations facility at identified programs in the conference. The study ranked Clemson 8th out of 14 schools that were part of the comparison. Major reasons for Clemson’s ranking included a noncontiguous football building, lack of exclusive training and rehab space for football, food service, and condensed weight room space. The results showed that the current facilities were not sufficient and recommended a 45% increase in square footage for the new football building, which would place it more in line with comparable football facilities across the nation. The study determined it was equally important that the location of the building be adjacent to the current indoor and outdoor football practice facilities. Further, NCAA governance changes have been and will continue to affect both staff sizes and additional programming that the University can provide to its student-athletes. This new building will allow the Athletics Department to better serve the needs of its student-athletes now and will provide needed space in the future as additional governance changes take place.

The Phase I (pre-design) budget is requested at approximately 2.4% of the estimated project cost. The additional amount will allow the University to provide the pre-construction services of a Construction Manager-at-Risk during the pre-design phase of the project and will provide geotechnical investigations, surveys of the site, and the required LEED cost benefit analysis.

E&G MAINTENANCE NEEDS:

N/A - Auxiliary

ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS/SAVINGS:

Utilities and maintenance will require additional operating costs of \$933,000 in the first year, \$960,990 in the second year, and \$989,820 in the third year following project completion.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this project as proposed.