

11.200 Construction and Repair and Renovation Projects

11.201 Definitions. When used in this Regents Rule, the terms listed below have the following meaning:

1. “New Construction” means the creation of a new building, facility, or outdoor space; the addition to an existing building, facility, or outdoor space; or new infrastructure that does not currently exist on a campus.
2. “Project” means the process of constructing, repairing, renovating, adding onto, or altering a campus building, facility, outdoor space, or its infrastructure, or acquiring new property.
3. “Project Cost” includes, but is not limited to, the cost of construction, installed equipment, architectural and engineering services, surveys, plans, specifications, site development and infrastructure, and other expenses required to complete a Project.
4. “Repair and Renovation” means construction upgrades to an existing building, facility, or outdoor space, or existing infrastructure, including the finish-out of shell space.

11.202 Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Approval. The System and the Institutions shall obtain approval of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for a Project as required by state law and regulations.

11.203 Board Approval. In accordance with Regents Rule 03.903, Board approval is required for a contract related to a Project when the total cost involved is \$1,000,000 or more. Board approval is also required for a Project when the estimated total Project Cost is \$1,000,000 or more for New Construction and \$2,000,000 or more for Repair and Renovation. In the event that a Project is initiated with a good faith belief that the total Project Cost will not exceed

\$1,000,000 for New Construction or \$2,000,000 for Repair and Renovation, and if at any time thereafter the Project budget is revised and expanded and it is determined that the total Project cost will be \$1,000,000 or more for New Construction or \$2,000,000 or more for Repair and Renovation, Board approval is required.

- 11.204 Direction and Management of Construction Projects. The Board delegates to the Chancellor the authority to determine those System and Institution Projects that shall be managed by the Office of Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services. For those Projects, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services shall direct the preparation of plans, specifications, and contract documents, and manage the construction of the Project.
- 11.205 Project Design and Construction Procedures. The Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services shall establish or approve design and construction guidelines based on the applicable campus master plan and quality design criteria for use in System or Institution Projects.
- 11.206 Approval of the Architect or Engineer. The Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services shall be responsible for approving the selection of an architect or engineer for System and Institution Projects. For a Project requiring Board approval, the Board must also approve the architect or engineer who designs the Project.
- 11.207 Construction Procurement Methods. The System and the Institutions shall use only the procurement methods set forth in Chapter 51 of the Texas Education Code for all Projects.
- 11.208 Historically Underutilized Business Program. Pursuant to Regents Rule 10.400, the System and the Institutions shall seek the involvement of and make a good faith effort to promote the use of Historically Underutilized Businesses in its Projects as prime contractors, sub-contractors, and material suppliers.
- 11.209 Building Code. The System and the Institutions shall follow the International Building Code (IBC) as the standard for new construction and major renovations. The Chancellor shall have the authority to establish guidelines

for interpreting the IBC and shall designate one or more “Building Official(s)” as defined by the IBC.

11.210 Naming. Buildings, facilities, structures, outdoor spaces, and other areas may be named as specified in Regents Rule 09.200.

11.211 Plaques. A commemorative plaque shall be placed on New Construction as determined by the Chancellor.

1. The plaque shall be inscribed with the following:
 - a. the name of the building or facility;
 - b. the name of the architecture or design firm;
 - c. the name of the general contractor, construction manager at risk, construction manager-agent, or design build firm;
 - d. the month and year that the Board voted to authorize award of the construction contract; and
 - e. the year of the dedication ceremony.
2. The plaque also shall identify, as of the date the Board voted to authorize award of the construction contract, the following:
 - a. the names of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board, and the names of the other members of the Board, including the Student Regent, arranged in alphabetical order; and
 - b. the names of those occupying the positions of Chancellor and President.

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