AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Utah State University – University Inn, Room 510

March 26, 2018

10:15 a.m. Special Meeting UI 510

- Introductory Items
- Action Agenda - Construction of the Swenson House, a Non-state Funded Project

26 March 2018

ITEM FOR ACTION

RE: Request to Approve Construction of the Swenson House, a Non-state Funded Project

Details of the request to construct the Swenson House, a non-state funded project described below are submitted for the Utah State University Board of Trustees' review and approval. The President and Vice President for Business and Finance have reviewed the request and recommend approval.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Utah State University, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the May Swenson family have hopes of restoring the Swenson House with the overall goal of enhancing support for literature in the community and inspiring future writers. Therefore, the University requests approval to construct the Swenson House, a non-state funded project, on a vacant lot located below Old Main Hill and west of the Caine House on 500 North in Logan, Utah.

The facility, including a large porch and patio area, will be approximately 6,000 square feet and will feature a large gathering space, café/prep kitchen, and additional support spaces. The large gathering space will be flexible and the furniture moveable so that it can be the backdrop for day to day use, as well as support larger events (up to 150 attendees). An exhibition wall for memorabilia and artifacts will connect visitors to May Swenson and her extended family. Quaint writing/reading nooks will open up to the main event space and serve as places for small groups to gather and study.

The facility is projected to be $800,000 and will be funded by private donations and discretionary funds of the College of Humanities of Social Sciences. No funds will be requested from the State for construction, capital improvements, or operations and maintenance.

RECOMMENDATION

The President and Vice President for Business and Finance recommend that the Board of Trustees approve the request to construct the Swenson House, a non-state funded project.

RESOLUTION
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, Utah State University, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the May Swenson family have hopes of restoring the Swenson House with the overall goal of enhancing support for literature in the community and inspiring future writers, and

WHEREAS, The University requests approval to construct the Swenson House, a non-state funded project, on a vacant lot located below Old Main Hill and west of the Caine House on 500 North in Logan, Utah, and

WHEREAS, The facility, including a large porch and patio area, will be approximately 6,000 square feet and will feature a large gathering space, café/prep kitchen, and additional support spaces, and

WHEREAS, The large gathering space will be flexible and the furniture moveable so that it can be the backdrop for day to day use, as well as support larger events (up to 150 attendees), and

WHEREAS, An exhibition wall for memorabilia and artifacts will connect visitors to May Swenson and her extended family, and

WHEREAS, Quaint writing/reading nooks will open up to the main event space and serve as places for small groups to gather and study, and

WHEREAS, The facility is projected to be $800,000 and will be funded by private donations and discretionary funds of the College of Humanities of Social Sciences, and

WHEREAS, No funds will be requested from the State for construction, capital improvements, or operations and maintenance:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the USU Board of Trustees hereby approves the Construction of the Swenson House, a Non-state Funded Project.

RESOLUTION APPROVED BY THE USU BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

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Date

SOUTHEAST VIEW

NORTHEAST VIEW AND BACK PATIO

SITE PLAN AND FLOOR PLAN

SITE PLAN

- SWENSON HOUSE
- FUTURE CABINS
- EXISTING TREES
- NEW TREES
- FLOWERING TREES
- GRASSES
- PROPOSED GARDENS
- CAINE HOUSE
- EXISTING APARTMENTS
- RAISED BEDS
- SHADE STRUCTURE

SCALE
1/8" = 1'