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Wichita State University requests authorization to amend the FY 2023 capital improvement plan for a new University Stadium project as a replacement for Cessna Stadium. The new University Stadium, at completion of a phased construction project, would seat approximately 10,000 spectators.

Attached is a diagram illustrating the proposed approach to phasing the University Stadium project. Phasing has been developed around maintaining the spectator seating and other infrastructure required for the Wichita State Track and Field teams as well as the annual Kansas State High School Track and Field Championship. Demolition of the east stands of Cessna Stadium will be handled outside the scope of this project as a separate small capital project. The intent for the University Stadium project is to select a design team to create an architectural program that would be approved by the board and then create construction documents for the entire project to be bid by phase as separate construction projects as funding is available.

Phase 1A is anticipated to start in August 2023 and includes the improvements on the east side of the existing track (underground utility work, a bermed grass seating area seating for 2,390, new free-standing field lights, ticket pavilion, restroom/storage buildings, and plaza). Phase 1B, anticipated to start in June 2024, widens the existing grass field to accommodate a regulation-sized soccer field and reconfigures the 8-lane track around the widened field. This phase also includes new aluminum bleacher seating at the north and south side of the track to seat a total of 3.460 spectators. The total project cost of Phase 1A/1B is anticipated to be approximately \$11.8 million.

Phase 2A, the demolition of the existing west Cessna Stadium structure, can begin as early as June 2025. A new west stadium structure with seating for 4,190 will be built as Phase 2B. The new west stadium would include a single level of press boxes and suites, offices/locker rooms/team room areas for a future soccer team, as well as restrooms, concessions, and storage rooms. Phase 2B also incorporates a pedestrian plaza between Koch Arena and the new stadium to allow for food trucks, merchandise tents, and public space adjacent to the stadium. Phase 2A and 2B will need to incorporate an accelerated construction schedule to ensure that the new west side stadium seating is ready for the KSHS Track and Field Championship in May 2026. The total project cost of Phase 2A/2B is anticipated to be approximately \$39.5 million.

Conceptual renderings of the University Stadium have been provided.

Funding for Phase 1A/1B will be a combination of university funds, private gifts, revenue bonds, and other local funding sources. Funding for Phase 2A/2B is to be determined.

This capital improvement amendment request replaces the existing capital improvement item for Cessna Stadium Demolition.