PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Approve the 2023-24 State University System Fixed Capital Outlay Legislative Budget Request, namely the revised PECO Preliminary Selection Group and Back-of-Bill authorizations, as amended.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

On September 14, 2022, the Board approved the 2023-24 Fixed Capital Outlay Legislative Budget Request (FCO LBR). Currently, two components of the FCO LBR; specifically, the PECO Preliminary Selection Group (aka: PECO project list) and the proposed Back-of-Bill (BOB) legislative project authorizations, are proposed for amendment, as follows:

PECO project list

- University of Florida’s (UF) #2 priority project, “Chemical Engineering Renovation & Remodeling”, was included in the original list, but it was not scored/ranked because the project had not been formally Recommended in UF’s educational plant survey (Survey), as required by Florida Statutes. The project subsequently received Survey Recommendation for renovation/remodel, thus it has now been scored and ranked on the PECO project list, accordingly.

- Florida Atlantic University (FAU) revised its 5-year capital improvement plan (CIP) to indicate the newly proposed “College of Dentistry” as its #1 priority, instead of the “Health Sciences Training & Research Facility”; the latter has now been redesignated their #2 priority. While the College of Dentistry is now FAU’s #1 priority, it does not have a Survey recommendation (nor is eligible for one), thus it is not statutorily eligible for scoring or ranking.

For comparison, the original PECO project list (approved by the Board last September) and the proposed amended list are attached as exhibits. For informational purposes, project specific information is reflected in the attached form CIP-3 (Project Details) for the UF Chemical Engineering building and the FAU College of Dentistry.

BOB project authorization

At the request of FAU, the College of Dentistry project has also been included in the list
of projects seeking legislative authorization. The amended list of BOB projects is attached, for reference, as well as a chart reflecting certain project details.

Supporting Documentation:
1) 2023-24 PECO project list, original
2) 2023-24 PECO project list, amended
3) CIP - UF Chemical Engineering Bldg. Renovation
4) CIP - FAU College of Dentistry
5) BOB proposed language and projects, Amended
6) BOB project details, Amended

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