

## **SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**

Suspension of the Rules Request  
ALC/Review Subcommittee

Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
1:30 pm, Room A MAC

### **A. Method of Finance**

1. U of A – Community College – Hope Texarkana

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December 12, 2022

The Honorable Scott Flippo, Chair  
The Honorable Ken Bragg, Chair  
Arkansas Legislative Council – Review Subcommittee  
State Capitol Building  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Flippo and Representative Bragg:

The University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana (UAHT) requests the suspension of the Committee Rules for Supplemental Agenda Item requiring submission in advance of a committee meeting to review the attached revised Method of Financing (MOF) for the HVAC System Replacement project at the Hope campus.

The request to review this revised MOF is needed as the sole bidder to the Invitation for Bid offered a bid amount that exceeded the original allocated funds for the project. With the assistance of UAHT's on-call architect, the bid amount was negotiated to \$398,022 less than the original bid, however, the amount remained in excess of the original allocated funds. This was due to a sole bidder responding to the bid who had a low number of subcontractors bid on the job, COVID supply chain costs, and travel, lodging, and per diem expenses not being factored in the original estimate.

The Invitation for Bid was issued on October 10, 2022, and closed October 27, 2022. After a lengthy review process, a negotiation process commenced to identify cost savings options for the project. On November 30, 2022, a revised bid amount was presented to UAHT. The bid was accepted, and UAHT issued an intent to award. A total of \$1,347,357.00 of HEERF III has been allocated towards the project, with substantial completion needed before June 30, 2023, without requesting a one-time extension. Time is of the essence with this project as costs associated with this project continue to rise due to inflation and supply chain delays continue to exist. Additionally, the completion of this project ahead of May 2023 graduation season is critical. The facility is not only used for UAHT graduation, but for local K-12 graduations. UAHT's graduation event is the most attended event in the facility, averaging over 1,500 guests. This project intends to improve air quality and flow in the facility.

Your favorable response would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christine Holt'.

Christine Holt, Chancellor

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# Methods of Finance Requiring Suspension of Rules

1	AGENCY	PURPOSE/PROJECT	Initial Cost			Date of Revision		COMPLETION
			INITIAL TOTAL	ESTIMATED TOTAL PROJECTED COST	REVISED TOTAL	CURRENT REVISED TOTAL	TYPE OF FUNDING	
	UA Community College at Hope-Texarkana - MOF #04988A	HVAC System Replacement. This project is for Hempstead Hall on the Hope Campus. The art, performing arts, and meeting center is approximately 60,000 sq. ft. and has a capacity of 1,600 seats. It's used by UACCHT and multiple off-campus entities. The current HVAC system needs to be replaced to improve air circulation and better protect the health of its occupants.	\$1,278,000.00	\$1,944,707.00	12/9/2022	\$1,944,707.00	Federal Grants (ARPA) 82%, Reserves 18%	6/1/2022 6/30/2023