

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

**February 18, 2025**

12:00 p.m. - open session / 12:05 p.m. - closed session / 1:00 p.m. - open session

Rutgers University–Camden

Camden Campus Center, 326 Penn Street, Camden, New Jersey

Tentative Agenda

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT
3. ROLL CALL
4. RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT CLOSED SESSION – February 18, 2025
5. CLOSED SESSION
6. RESUMPTION OF OPEN SESSION
7. MATTERS PRESENTED BY THE CHAIR
8. MATTERS PRESENTED BY THE PRESIDENT
9. REPORT OF THE RUTGERS UNIVERSITY–CAMDEN CHANCELLOR
10. MIDDLE STATES COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION REACCREDITATION UPDATE
11. COMMITTEE BRIEFINGS
  - a. Committee on Academic and Student Affairs – January 30, 2025
  - b. Committee on Finance and Facilities – January 30, 2025
  - c. Committee on Audit – January 23, 2025
  - d. Committee on Health Affairs – January 28, 2025
  - e. Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics – February 4, 2025
  - f. Joint Committee on Investments – February 6, 2025
12. CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Governors – December 17, 2024
  - b. Governors Executive Committee – February 18, 2025
    - (1) Proposed Resolution Amending University Policy 60.1.15: Policy on Approval of Certain Employment Contracts
  - c. Committee on Academic and Student Affairs – January 30, 2025
    - (1) Academic Appointments with Tenure Recommendations
    - (2) Proposed Resolution Approving the Appointment to the Harold H. Martin Professor of Mathematics Endowed Chair
  - d. Committee on Finance and Facilities – January 30, 2025
    - (1) Proposed Resolution Amending Two Resolutions Dated April 18, 2024 Regarding The Cooper Street Gateway Project at Rutgers University–Camden and The Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout Project at Rutgers University–Newark
    - (2) Proposed Resolution Authorizing Formally Bid Contracts for University-wide HVACR Services
  - e. Committee on Health Affairs – January 28, 2025
    - (1) Minutes of the University Behavioral Health Care Leadership Committee Meeting of September 16, 2024
    - (2) University Behavioral Health Care Staff Appointments, Reappointments and Clinical Privileges of November 18, 2024
13. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
14. OLD BUSINESS
15. NEW BUSINESS
16. ADJOURNMENT



**PROPOSED RESOLUTION  
AMENDING TWO RESOLUTIONS DATED APRIL 18, 2024  
REGARDING THE COOPER STREET GATEWAY PROJECT  
AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY-CAMDEN AND  
THE LIFE SCIENCES CENTER 2 RESEARCH  
SHELL SPACE FITOUT PROJECT  
AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY-NEWARK**

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has appropriated \$300 million in American Rescue Plan funds (provided to the State from the federal government) through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (hereinafter “ARP Funds”) to Rutgers (hereinafter the “Appropriation”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Appropriation provided by the State of New Jersey provides key financial support for capital projects in New Brunswick, Newark, and Camden; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, on April 18, 2024, the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, approved a Resolution that (i) approved a project known as the Cooper Street Gateway project for a maximum project cost of \$60 million, and (ii) designated \$25 million of the ARP Funds toward the capital costs of the Cooper Street Gateway project; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, on April 18, 2024, the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, approved a Resolution that (i) approved a project known as the Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout project for a maximum project cost of \$22 million, and (ii) designated \$15 million of the ARP Funds toward the capital costs of the Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout project; and

**WHEREAS**, bids for construction for both of the projects have been solicited and received, and contracts awarded; and

**WHEREAS**, the bids for construction were favorable when compared to budget; and

**WHEREAS**, considering information contained within the bids, project costs eligible for use of ARP funds, and the best financial interests of the University, IP&O staff determined it would be advantageous to decrease ARP Funds use by \$6 million on the Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout project and increase ARP Funds use by \$6 million on the Cooper Street Gateway project; and

**WHEREAS**, upon approval of the ARP Funds reallocation Rutgers will designate \$9 million of the Appropriation toward the capital costs of the Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout project and up to \$13 million in project costs will be financed by the University through Rutgers tax-exempt and taxable commercial paper, Rutgers tax-exempt and taxable bonds, funds on hand, or a combination thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, upon approval of the ARP Funds reallocation Rutgers will designate \$31 million of the Appropriation toward the capital costs of the Cooper Street Gateway project and up to \$29 million in project costs will be financed by the University through Rutgers tax-exempt and taxable commercial paper, Rutgers tax-exempt and taxable bonds, funds on hand, or a combination thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Secretary of Higher Education, as the designated state entity to grant the ARP funds to Rutgers, has been notified of the change and is supportive of same; and

**WHEREAS**, the total costs of each project remain unchanged by the reallocation of ARP funds; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2025, the Committee on Finance and Facilities reviewed and discussed the proposed ARP funds reallocation, observed that reallocation of the ARP funds would be beneficial to the University’s funding strategy for the two projects and would allow both projects to be completed without reduction in scope or benefit, and recommended this reallocation for approval by the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, a reallocation of \$6 million in ARP funds between the two projects as described herein is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that except as otherwise described herein, all the approvals and authorizations contained in the two April 18, 2024 Resolutions described herein and attached hereto remain valid and in effect and are hereby reconfirmed; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Attachments: April 18, 2024 Resolution Approving the Cooper Street Gateway Project at Rutgers University–Camden  
April 18, 2024 Resolution Approving the Life Sciences Center 2 Research Shell Space Fitout Project at Rutgers University–Newark

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**PROPOSED RESOLUTION  
AUTHORIZING FORMALLY BID CONTRACTS FOR  
UNIVERSITY-WIDE HVACR SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, seeks approval of the proposed contract awards resulting from a formally bid Request for Proposals (“RFP”) for University-wide on-call HVACR services which include plumbing, HVAC, duct and/or pipe work, sheet metal fabrication & installation, special service and product installation, and air/hydronic systems balancing; and

**WHEREAS**, Rutgers University issued a formal RFP, inviting 34 suppliers to submit bid proposals to provide University-wide on-call HVACR services, and 16 proposals were received and evaluated with 15 suppliers being recommended for three-year contracts with two optional one-year extensions; and

**WHEREAS**, recent revisions to University Policy 20.1.11: Procurement and Payment Policy require that all formally bid procurements valued over \$10 million must be approved by the Board of Governors prior to contract award; and

**WHEREAS**, the total estimated value of the five-year contracts resulting from the aforementioned formally bid procurement for University-wide on-call HVACR services is \$11.25 million and thus requires Board of Governors approval; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 18, 2024, the Board of Governors' Committee on Finance and Facilities reviewed the documentation supporting these proposed contract awards for University-wide on-call HVACR services as described above and agreed to recommend approval of such contracts by the Board of Governors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Finance and Facilities, the Board of Governors of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, hereby approves the recommended award of the contracts for University-wide on-call HVACR services under the formally bid RFP, as described above, for a five-year term with the actual contract spend amounts to be authorized pursuant to approved University budgets annually.

Attachment: List of Proposed HVACR Services Suppliers

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