

**Capitol Area Architectural Planning Bd**

**Projects Summary**  
(\$ in Thousands)

Project Title	2010 Agency Priority Ranking	Agency Project Request for State Funds (\$ by Session)				Governor's Recommendations 2010	Governor's Planning Estimate	
		2010	2012	2014	Total		2012	2014
Capitol Predesign	1	\$450	\$0	\$0	\$450	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Project Requests</b>		\$450	\$0	\$0	\$450	\$0	\$0	\$0

Capitol Predesign

**2010 STATE APPROPRIATION REQUEST:** \$450,000

**AGENCY PROJECT PRIORITY:** 1 of 1

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

**Project At A Glance**

The Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board (CAAPB) requests the following funding:

- ◆ \$450,000 for a revised and expanded predesign for the Capitol Building and State Office Building, addressing all parts of the Legislative branch and the appropriate offices of the Executive Branch. The result will eventually serve as a comprehensive master plan for the Capitol Campus, building upon recent work on amendments to the 1998 Comprehensive Plan for the Minnesota State Capitol Area, and the 2009 Rules Governing Zoning and Design for the Minnesota State Capitol Area, Minn. Rules Chapter 2400, both authorized by the Legislature and Governor in 2007.

**Project Description**

The predesign and the planning effort will assess development capacity, long-range parking plans and growth management of institutional uses in the Capitol Campus. Together, these efforts will also include an assessment of past predesign work for the Capitol Building (revisiting both the 2001 and the 2006 work) in the hope of developing options for an acceptable plan to address the needs for the Capitol Building in the context of campus wide access, security, energy efficiency, asset preservation, and issues of code compliance.

By statute, the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board is charged, among its other responsibilities, to preserve and enhance the dignity, beauty, and architectural integrity of the Capitol, the buildings immediately adjacent to it, the Capitol grounds, and the Capitol Area.

A list of the following documents, as prepared by the CAAPB, as well as the Department of Administration, would be available in support of the master plan's development:

- ◆ Comprehensive Plan for the Minnesota State Capitol Area, 1998. (Amendments to come in 2009.)
- ◆ Specific Actions for Implementation of the Comprehensive Plan for the Minnesota State Capitol Area, 1998.
- ◆ Rules Governing Zoning and Design for the Minnesota State Capitol Area, 2000. (Revisions to come in 2009.)
- ◆ Department of Administration's Strategic Plan for Locating State Agencies, 1993.
- ◆ Supplement (to above Strategic Plan), 1995.
- ◆ Parking Area Design Framework – Guidelines for Planning Parking Areas in the Minnesota State Capitol Area, 1992.
- ◆ History of the Minnesota State Capitol Area, 1985.

Working with the Administration Department and the Historical Society, the CAAPB, as that body charged with planning functions on the Capitol Campus, seeks to work with all stakeholders to develop a report to the Legislature and Governor for 2012 for a phased, comprehensive bonding program to address the full range of needs for both the Capitol Building and the Campus itself.

To that end, a new process is proposed to involve and solicit input from a variety of stakeholders. This group could include, but not be limited to, representatives from the three branches of government, including both elected officials and staff, as well as others with an interest in the future of the Capitol Campus development and the Capitol Building, including the public, the Administration Department, Minnesota Management and Budget, the Historical Society, Disabilities Council, and others. The goal would be to evaluate all past reports, surveys, and analyses, along with current studies, to reach a consensus on the best capital improvement plan for the building in light of the Capitol Campus and future change to the district.

The Capitol Building, recognized nationally, will be 105 years old, and it is becoming increasingly expensive and inefficient to try to maintain systems and infrastructure that have long outlasted their normal lifespan. Current systems and building materials evaluations will be analyzed in support of

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achieving the ideal plan to avoid the inefficiencies of yet more emergency repairs and piecemeal efforts that are not sound investments of state resources.

**Impact on Agency Operating Budgets (Facilities Notes)**

None.

**Previous Appropriations for this Project**

In 2001, \$300,000 was spent on a predesign specific to the Capitol Building, and again in 2006, after the passage of time without follow-up work, another predesign, followed by a schematic on a plan with appropriations of \$2.4 million.

In 2007, the CAAPB received a one-time funding of \$65,000 to update the "Comprehensive Plan for the Minnesota State Capitol Area" and the "Rules Governing Zoning and Design for the Minnesota State Capitol Area," pursuant to the Board's statutory responsibility, and in order to meet MN Statutes Chapter 473.864, Subd. 1 and 2, which requires review every ten years.

These two documents, nearing completion, guide the CAAPB in executing its responsibilities and jurisdiction within the Capitol Area. They, along with other analyses and studies, will contribute to establishing a consensus master plan for long term viability of the Capitol Campus and the Minnesota State Capitol Building.

**Other Considerations**

None.

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**Governor's Recommendations (To be completed by MMB at a later date)**