

JCCR Meeting

At its December 18, 2007 meeting, the Joint Committee on Capital Review considered the following issues:

Arizona Department of Administration – Prison Bed, Prison Water, and Arizona State Forensic Unit Projects – The Committee gave a favorable review and approval for the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) to issue \$239 million worth of Certificates of Participation for the 3 projects authorized by Laws 2007, Chapters 257 and 261. These 3 projects are: 4,000 prison beds, prison water and wastewater projects, and a new forensic unit at the Arizona State Hospital. This includes the provision that ADOA report back to the Committee prior to the beginning of construction on the estimated scope and cost of the projects.

Arizona Department of Administration/Legislative Council – Land Purchase – The Committee gave a favorable review and approval for the ADOA to purchase 9,900 square feet of land adjacent to the new Polly Rosenbaum State Archives and History Building for \$130,000. The amount is less than the property's appraisal and will not require a new appropriation of monies. Laws 2007, Chapter 44 authorized ADOA to purchase this land with a prior appropriation (Laws 2004, Chapter 194).

Arizona State Parks Board – SLIF and SPEF Projects – The Committee gave a favorable review to the proposal for 25 State Lake Improvement Fund (SLIF) grants and projects totaling \$7,104,400 with the condition that the favorable review does not constitute an

endorsement of General Fund support of these projects in the future. The Committee also approved the Parks Board request for \$1 million in State Parks Enhancement Fund (SPEF) monies for 2 State Parks capital projects, as the project expenditures comply with statute.

Arizona State University – Memorial Union Fire Renovations – The Committee gave a favorable review with the 3 standard university bonding provisions to the \$40 million Memorial Union Fire Renovations bond project. This project will repair, renovate, and upgrade the 255,000 square foot Memorial Union, which underwent extensive fire damage on November 1, 2007. Arizona State University (ASU) will finance this project with a total new revenue bond issuance of \$13 million, which will be repaid with tuition collections and local funds, and \$27 million from insurance reimbursements.

Arizona State University – Indoor Basketball Practice Facility – The Committee gave a favorable review with the 3 standard university bonding provisions to the \$22 million indoor basketball practice facility (Weatherup Center). The approximately 50,000 gross square foot Weatherup Center facility will include basketball courts, offices, meeting spaces, and locker room facilities. For a fee of \$2.5 million ASU has acquired an existing facility, the Athletes' Performance Institute, in support of the Weatherup Center. ASU will finance this project with a total new revenue bond issuance of \$19.8 million, which will be repaid with cash gifts and \$2.2 million from up-front cash gifts. The Weatherup Center Construction will

begin in April 2008 and conclude in March 2009.

University of Arizona – Cooling Tower

– The Committee gave a favorable review with the 3 standard university bonding provisions to \$4.1 million to replace an aging cooling tower on the main campus. Because the replacement tower is more energy efficient and would not require ongoing maintenance, the University of Arizona (UA) estimates that it will result in savings equal to \$578,700 annually. In total, the tower will cost \$7.1 million to replace. UA will finance the remaining \$3 million with operating funds.