

MINUTES

JOINT COMMITTEE ON STATE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

February 19, 2015
Room 159-S—Statehouse

Members Present

Representative Steve Brunk, Chairperson
Senator Kay Wolf, Vice-chairperson
Senator Marci Francisco
Senator Laura Kelly
Senator Forrest Knox
Senator Larry Powell
Representative J. Steve Alford
Representative Mark Hutton
Representative Adam Lusker

Member Absent

Representative John Alcala

Staff Present

Shirley Morrow, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Mark Dapp, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Andy Chiamopoulos, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Bobbi Mariani, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ben Wilhelm, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Dezeree Hodish, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Daniel Yoza, Office of Revisor of Statutes
David Wiese, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Gary Deeter, Committee Secretary

Conferee

Linda Thomas, State Lease Administrator, Office of Facilities and Property Management,
Kansas Department of Administration
Kirk Thompson, Director, Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Jennie Chinn, Executive Director, State Historical Society

Others Attending

See attached sheet.

The meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m. by Chairperson Brunk.

Linda Thomas, Kansas Department of Administration, presented a proposed five-year lease for the Kansas Department of Revenue ([Attachment 1](#)). She stated the \$12 per-square-foot (psf) lease is a renewal for a driver's license examining station in Ottawa; the new lease increases the area by 450 square feet and the cost by \$3 psf. She noted the lease is full-service except for janitorial service, which will be performed by in-house staff. Answering a question, she stated the increased space provides a waiting area for customers.

A motion was made by Representative Hutton and seconded by Senator Wolf to approve the lease. The motion passed.

Bobbi Mariani, Kansas Legislative Research Department (KLRD), outlined the FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017 capital improvements budgets for the Kansas Department of Commerce ([Attachment 2](#)). She stated the FY 2015 estimate for rehabilitation and repair totaled \$100,000 with an additional \$95,000 for debt service principal, all from special revenue funds. The Governor concurs with the agency estimate. The agency requested \$200,000 for FY 2016 and FY 2017, with \$100,000 allocated for debt service principal both fiscal years. The Governor concurred with the agency's request for both years.

A motion was made by Senator Wolf and seconded by Representative Alford to concur with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

Dezeree Hodish, KLRD, reviewed the FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017 capital improvements budgets for the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI). The agency estimate of \$222,000 for FY 2015, including \$100,000 from the State General Fund (SGF), mirrors the FY 2014 budget. The Governor concurs with the agency's estimate. The agency request of \$2.4 million for FY 2016 represents a \$2.2 million increase due to debt service principal for the forensic science laboratory at Washburn University. The Governor's recommendation of \$2.2 million did not include two enhancements: renovation planning at the Topeka headquarters and access control at three regional offices. The agency request of \$5.9 million for FY 2017 included two enhancements: renovation of the Topeka headquarters and refurbishing the parking garage at the Topeka headquarters. The Governor's recommendation of \$2.2 million for FY 2017 did not include the two enhancements.

Kirk Thompson, Director, KBI, responded to members' questions ([Attachment 3](#)):

- The Great Bend facility has completed most major upgrades; the building has at least another ten years of useful life.
- Engineers have determined the parking garage at the Topeka headquarters has structural problems, rendering it unsafe. Estimates to address the upper-deck deterioration range from \$250,000 to \$1 million.
- Simply removing the upper deck compromises Americans with Disabilities Act requirements for access to the headquarters.

A motion was made by Representative Hutton and seconded by Senator Kelly to authorize up to \$500,000 to resolve the parking garage deficiencies. Any unused funds will be returned to the SGF.

During discussion on the motion, members requested further review after the agency completes a Request for Proposal (RFP). Mr. Thompson replied to other questions: the headquarters was renovated in 1984; the move to the new forensic laboratory will involve 65-70 staff and free up about 50 parking spaces; and the vacated space of the present lab will provide some needed office space and records storage. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Senator Knox and seconded by Senator Wolf to concur with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017 except as amended by the previous motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ben Wilhelm, KLRD, presented the FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017 capital improvements budgets for the State Historical Society. The FY 2015 agency estimate of \$434,550 for rehabilitation and repair, a 6.5 percent decrease from FY 2014, includes \$250,000 from the SGF. The Governor concurs with the agency estimate. For FY 2016, the agency requested \$357,500, which included an SGF increase of \$42,500 to replace the Archives building roof. The Governor concurred with the agency except he recommended shifting the Archives roof funding to the Historic Properties Fee Fund and funding one-half in FY 2016 and one-half in FY 2017. The agency's FY 2017 request of \$611,000 includes \$253,500 from the SGF; the increase anticipates private funding for rehabilitation and repair of the Kaw Mission facility. The Governor concurred with the agency's request.

Jennie Chinn, Executive Director, State Historical Society, commented on the agency agreeing with the Governor's recommendations. She announced the agency's intention to accept the gift of the Last Chance Store in Council Grove. She said the building has been well maintained, will be budget neutral because of its proximity to the Kaw Mission, and will attract additional visitors to Council Grove.

A motion was made by Representative Lusker, seconded by Representative Hutton, to concur with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

Andy Chiamopoulos, KLRD, reviewed the FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017 capital improvements budgets for the Kansas Department of Labor. The agency estimate of \$2.8 million for FY 2015 for rehabilitation, repair, and debt service all comes from federal funds. The Governor concurs with the agency estimate. The agency's request for FY 2016 for \$3 million, an increase of 7.5 percent, included \$2.7 million for bond fund payments. The Governor concurred with the agency request. For FY 2017, the agency requested \$605,000, a decrease of \$2.4 million due to final bond payments. The Governor concurred with the agency request.

A motion was made by Senator Wolf and seconded by Representative Alford to concur with the Governor's recommendations for FY 2015, FY 2016, and FY 2017. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 24, 2015, in Room 159-S of the Capitol Building.

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Approved by the Committee on:

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(Date)