

1 **Building Demolition**

2 Effective: January 21, 2022

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4 **Introduction**

5 University buildings require significant resources for operations, maintenance, repairs and
6 utilities. When no longer required, buildings shall be closed and demolished as soon as possible to
7 allow the reallocation of funds to other priorities and to eliminate the attractive nuisance and liabilities
8 of a vacant facility.

9 **Policy Statement**

10 When a building beyond economic repair is vacated by all university occupants, and there is no
11 continuing requirement for the building by any other units, the building shall be submitted for review
12 for closure and demolition.

13 The university units to which the building space is assigned are responsible for performing, or
14 funding Facilities Planning & Management (FP&M) and Logistics and Support Services to perform,
15 the removal or disposal of all equipment and furnishings, cleaning and securing the building, and
16 continuing operation, maintenance and utilities costs until the building is demolished. In the case of
17 general fund buildings, this includes the Facilities Expense Charge and utility billings. Cleaning and
18 securing of general fund buildings shall be coordinated with FP&M.

19 If the building will not be demolished as part of a facility construction project, a [Facility Closure and](#)
20 [Demolition Request](#) shall be completed and submitted when the decision is made to permanently
21 vacate a building. FP&M staff are available to assist with developing the request. The request shall
22 be submitted to the Capital Projects Advisory Committee for approval by the President. Demolition
23 must also be approved by the Board of Regents for any building with a value of \$100,000 or more.

24 Identifying funding for demolition of the building is the responsibility of the university units to which
25 the building space was assigned, unless otherwise approved by the President. In the case of general
26 fund buildings, the university units to which the building is assigned may:

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- 28 • Negotiate financing for demolition with the Division of Operations and Finance, with
29 repayment based on their avoided Facilities Expense Charges and utility costs.
 - 30 • Seek other university funding to augment their funds for demolition.

31 If funds are not immediately available for demolition, the building may be approved for closure and
32 no further use until the building can be demolished.

33 Upon approval and funding of the demolition of a building, FP&M will arrange for demolition,
34 normally by contract. The entire building, including the foundation and any basement shall be
35 removed, and the site landscaped as appropriate for the surrounding area. FP&M will then remove
36 the building from the university facility inventory, which in the case of a general fund building will be
37 the basis for the appropriate adjustment to the Facilities Expense Charge in the next fiscal year for
38 the former occupants.

39 **Resources**

40 **Files**

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- [Facility Closure and Demolition Request](#)