

STATE OF COLORADO OFFICE OF THE STATE ARCHITECT ANNUAL REPORT

PRESENTED TO THE **CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**DECEMBER 2022

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Representative-elect Story, Chair, and Members of the Capital Development Committee State of Colorado General Assembly 46 State Capitol Building Denver, CO 80203

Re: Office of the State Architect

Annual Report to the Capital Development Committee

Dear Chair Story and Committee Members:

The Office of the State Architect (OSA) hereby submits to the Capital Development Committee (CDC) the <u>FY2023/24 Annual Report</u>. As in past years, the OSA combines its statutory oversight and reporting responsibilities into a single document that highlights statewide Capital Construction and Controlled Maintenance funding recommendations, the status of state funded construction projects, the inventory of state owned buildings, facility planning, energy conservation measures, and real estate activities.

The FY 2023/24 Capital Construction project requests listed in Sections II - A, B, C, and D, Recommendations and Request, were submitted for review to OSA from each state agency as part of their Capital Construction Five-Year Plan and Annual Budget request submission. Capital Construction as defined in statute is Cash Funded, Capital Renewal, Capital Construction, Controlled Maintenance project requests, and Acquisitions / Dispositions request. As required by Section 24-30-1303 (1) (t) (l) C.R.S., OSA submitted the recommendations to the Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB). Please note that the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE) recommends Capital Construction project requests from institutions of higher education separately to the OSPB and CDC. Concurrently, the Controlled Maintenance project requests listed in Section II - E, Recommendations, were submitted to OSA from each state agency and institution of higher education as part of their Controlled Maintenance Five-Year Plan and also included in their Annual Budget request submission. As required by Section 24-30-1303 (1) (t) (II), C.R.S., OSA submits these recommendations as the state's controlled maintenance budget requests to OSPB and the CDC. Subsequently in most years, OSPB considers the recommendations made by the CDHE and the OSA and submits a single prioritized list to the CDC.



As in previous years, OSA continues to recommend the annual controlled maintenance funding goal of 1% of the Current Replacement Value (CRV) of the State's inventory of general funded and academic buildings. The prioritized list of Controlled Maintenance project requests in Section II – E represents a balanced approach to addressing annual facility maintenance needs across the state's building inventory. Due to a lack of available revenue, controlled maintenance appropriations have historically been inconsistent and below recommended goals as the state's building inventory continued to grow and age. It is important to note that despite the great work of this committee, within the last twelve years, our annual controlled maintenance funding goal of 1% was achieved one time.

The past two years have challenged our state agencies and institutions of higher education with COVID safety protocols which kept our projects moving forward, labor shortages and increased costs due to supply chain issues. Throughout all of the turmoil, we are proud of our delegates in their abilities to adapt to uncertainties and endeavor to deliver the highest quality construction possible for their facilities. Their level of professionalism and pride is demonstrated through their stewardship of well-maintained facilities.

We thank this committee for its unwavering support of the State of Colorado's built environment and look forward to continuing to serve this committee and the State of Colorado. To repeat what we have said before, OSA and the state agencies and institutions of higher education sincerely value the essential role that the Capital Development Committee plays in supporting, as possible, the need for annual capital construction, capital renewal and controlled maintenance funding.

Sincerely,

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SECTION I: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - STATE BUILDINGS PROGRAM

INVENTORY

- Gross Square Feet/Current Replacement Value: The reported inventory of state owned general funded and academic buildings has increased by approximately 33% (12.6 million GSF) over the past twenty years, from 37.9 million GSF in FY2003-2004 to 50.5 million GSF in FY2023-2024 with a Current Replacement Value (CRV) of \$15.65 billion dollars. (The CRV is calculated from insured values from DPA-Division of Risk Management and as reported from Institutions of Higher Education). Auxiliary funded and non-academic buildings have been reported at an additional 33.4 million GSF with an additional CRV of \$8.5 billion dollars and are not included in the calculations for number, age, facility condition or funding recommendations below.
- Number and Age of Buildings/Facility Condition: Forty Four (40) state agencies and institutions of higher education are included in the inventory of state owned general funded and academic buildings comprising 2,435 buildings. Approximately 1,285 buildings, comprising 28.0 million gross square footage (GSF) (55% of the total inventory) were constructed pre-1980. Of that, 1,022 buildings, 20.1 million GSF are pre-1970 (40% of the total inventory) and 710 buildings, 12.6 million GSF are pre-1960 (25% of the total inventory). Facility assessments conducted by the agencies and institutions to estimate building conditions were reported as follows: approximately 7% of the GSF was within an FCI of less than 0.35 (poor condition), 21% was within an FCI of 0.35 to 0.60 (poor-fair condition), 50% was within an FCI of 0.60 to 0.85 (fair-good condition), and 18% was within an FCI of 0.85 to 1.0 (targeted condition). Conversely, 86% of the buildings assessed were constructed more than 15 year ago and therefor, are eligible for controlled maintenance funding.

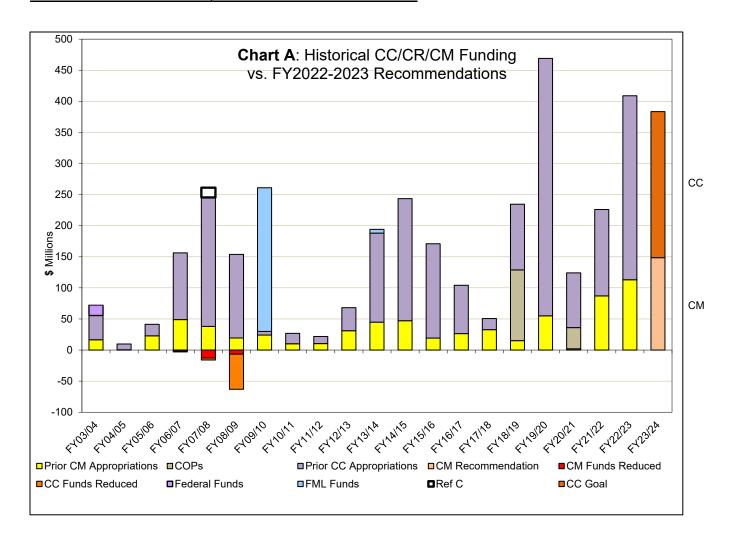
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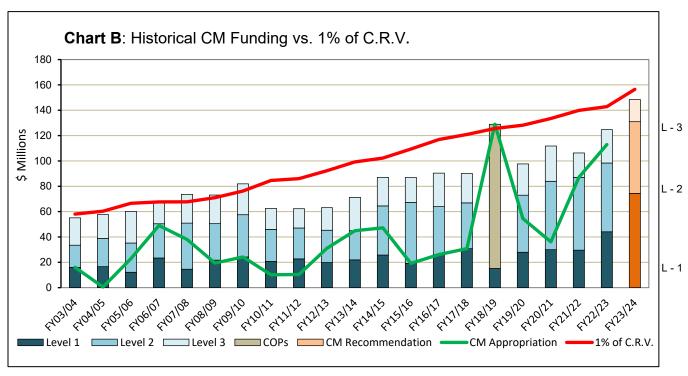
Historical Funding: Capital Construction appropriations over the last twenty years have been inconsistent due to a lack of available revenue as illustrated in <u>CHART A</u> on the next page. This has resulted in controlled maintenance appropriations below recommended funding levels with the exceptions of FY2018-2019 as illustrated in <u>CHART B</u> on the next page. Industry guidelines (i.e. The Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers (APPA), 2016 report on Capital Renewal and Deferred Maintenance) continue to recommend an annual Reinvestment Rate (RR) of 2% to 4% of the CRV of a building inventory be dedicated for capital improvements to operate, maintain and renew to targeted levels. The Office of the State Architect continues to recommend, as a **goal**, an annual RR equivalent to 1% of the CRV to address Controlled Maintenance and an additional RR goal of 1% - 1.5% equivalent to 2.5% of the CRV to address Capital Renewal/Capital Renovation project requests in existing buildings. Note that funding recommendations for Capital Construction (new facilities) are separate and in addition to the RR recommendations and do not impact existing facility conditions.

FY2023-2024 RECOMMENDATIONS

- Cash Funded Requests for State Departments (Planning Services to Facilities Maintenance): Two (2) cash funded project requests from state agencies were recommended by the OSA to the OSPB for a total of \$2,500,000 (Refer to SECTION II A for project details).
- Capital Renewal/Capital Renovation Requests for State Departments (Upgrades to Existing Facilities): Fourteen (14)
 Capital Renewal/Capital Renovation project requests from state agencies were recommended by the OSA to the OSPB for a total of \$166,752,132 (Refer to SECTION II B for project details).
- Capital Construction Requests for State Departments (New Facilities): Eleven (11) Capital Construction project requests from state agencies were recommended by the OSA to the OSPB for a total of \$120,199,252 (Refer to SECTION II - C for project details).
- Acquisitions / Dispositions for State Departments (Purchase, Transfer, or Disposing of Real Property): Two (2)
 Acquisitions / Dispositions requests from state agencies were submitted to the OSA (Refer to SECTION II D for project details).
- Statewide Controlled Maintenance Budget Request (Repairs to Existing Facilities): One hundred and twenty (120) prioritized project requests are recommended by OSA for FY2023-2024 as the statewide controlled maintenance budget request comprised of \$148,468,915 for current-year project requests and \$43,282,964 for twenty-one (21) associated out-year project phases for a total of \$191,751,879 (Refer to SECTION II E for project details). As a RR, the current and out-year budget request total is equivalent to 1.22% of the CRV for FY2023-2024. Controlled Maintenance project requests fall into the following categories: life-safety, structural, heating-ventilation and air conditioning, electrical, plumbing, roofing, general maintenance and infrastructure.
- Project Request Five Year Plans: The reported Controlled Maintenance project request five year plan total for general funded state agency and academic buildings and infrastructure is of \$676,299,322 for FY2023-2024. The reported Capital Construction/Capital Renewal project request Five-Year Plan total for general funded/academic buildings and infrastructure for state agency's is \$2,157,329,584 and for institutions of higher education is \$3,475,017,828 for a total of \$5,632,347,412 (Refer to SECTION III H).

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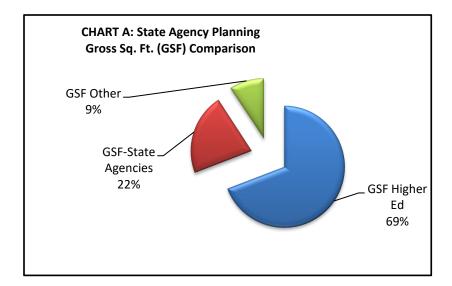




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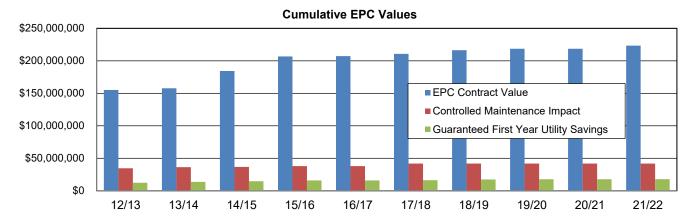
- Planning Program Established: A management audit in 2012 identified that the State lacked "a comprehensive mechanism for long-term planning for its real estate assets. Such a mechanism could assist the State in its efforts to maximize the value of its real estate assets, reduce facility costs and support funding decisions." In a subsequent master planning effort for the Capitol Complex, the consultant recommended strategies for addressing the issue. Ten peer state processes were analyzed which resulted in policy recommendations. In 2015, the State passed SB15-270 along with an update to Section 24-1-136.5, CRS, which added the Statewide Planning Program (SPP) to the Office of the State Architect. These two updates coordinate the responsibilities of Executive Directors to establish planning efforts within their agencies and the State Architect to enact policies for the creation of state agency planning documents and a process for review, approval, and reporting. The result of this effort is a mission driven capital plan that maximizes the value of each capital investment by minimizing long term costs.
- Planning at State Agencies: In 2015, the SPP developed and established the framework for a planning process for 15 State Agencies that parallels the requirements established by the Colorado Commission for Higher Education. These agencies occupy 22% of the total owned real estate as noted <u>CHART A</u>. SPP created and published guidelines, instructions and templates for the state agency process and submittal requirements for Operational Master Plans (OMP) that describe how Departments provide their service, Facilities Master Plans (FMP) which organizes all the Departments space needs, and Facility Program Plans (FPP) which analyze and describe project specific objectives, costs and schedule. These templates are currently available on the Office of the State Architect's website. As part of the annual site verification visits of State facilities, SPP reviews the planning process to the State Departments that manage State owned real estate. (Refer to SECTION III F). This year, there was one new FPP submitted for review.
- State Agency Planning Fund: State Agency Planning Fund: Last year, the SPP selected 5 Statewide Planning Consultants that can be used to assist state agencies with implementing the requirements of the program. The Statewide Planning Consultants in prior years has implemented 57 task orders at 12 agencies totaling \$5,131,297 for State Agencies (Refer to SECTION III G). The task orders comprise a variety of planning efforts that included physical space planning, market and cost analyses, building assessments, Facility Program Plans, and agency program needs analysis.



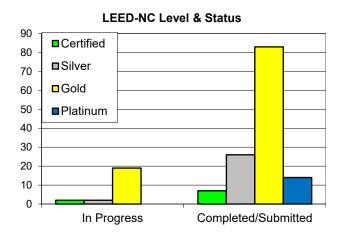
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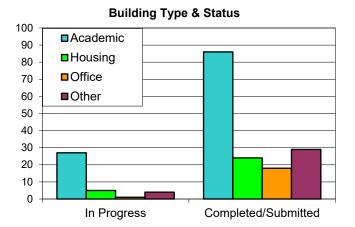
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Energy Performance Contracts: Energy Performance Contracts (EPC) are considered as an alternative funding source for energy related Controlled Maintenance for existing buildings for state agencies and institutions of higher education to improve facility conditions and increase energy/water efficiency. This process uses the utility dollars saved (avoided future utility cost) to pay for facility improvements over a specified time. The first EPC for the state of Colorado was implemented in 1996, and to date, most state agencies and institutions of higher education have completed or have under-way energy performance projects. Since the EPC program was implemented the cumulative total contract value of construction work is at \$223,317,634 which includes the funding of \$41,922,644 in identified Controlled Maintenance needs and a guaranteed first year utility savings of \$17,919,306. The chart below graphs the cumulative total values over the last ten fiscal years. (Refer to SECTION III - I).



High Performance Buildings and the Governor's Executive Orders: The High Performance Certification Program (HPCP) standards were adopted by the Office of the State Architect (OSA) to establish the design and construction guidelines for new buildings and buildings undergoing substantial renovations as required by Section 24-30-1305.5, C.R.S. The United States Green Building Council/Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (USGBC/LEED) was the guideline chosen and the Gold level certification is the targeted goal of the HPCP. State agencies and institutions of higher education projects that started design work after January 1, 2010 are required to track and report utility data. Additionally, OSA works with the Colorado Department of Education on Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) funded projects and the Department of Local Affairs on their grant programs for compliance with HCPC standards, (Refer to SECTION III - J). In 2017 the U.S. Green Building Council announced that, based on its analysis, Colorado ranked 2nd nationally for the number of LEED-certified environmentally friendly commercial and institutional buildings per capita.



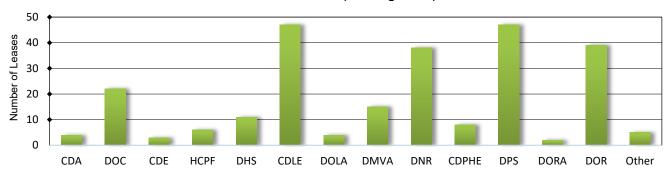


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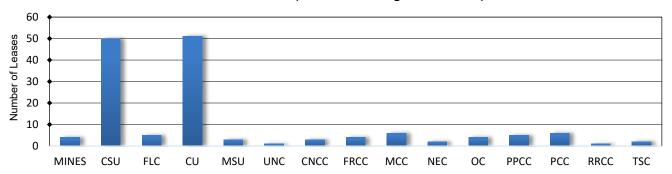
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Leased Property: As of June 2022, there were **369** commercial building lease agreements comprised of 238 leases with state agencies and 131 leases with institutions of higher education. The commercial building leases comprised a total of 3,757,215 rentable square feet. The annual base rent paid by state agencies and institutions of higher education to third parties has increased by approximately 72% in the last seventeen years from \$38,480,872 in FY2005/06 to **\$66,216,562** in FY2023-2024. The chart below illustrates the number of leases by state agencies and institutions of higher education (Please refer to SECTION III - L).

Number of Leases (State Agencies)



Number of Leases (Institutions of Higher Education)



- Interagency Leases: There were 103 interagency leases in effect as of June 2022. These leases comprise a total of 1,524,363 rentable square feet. Interagency Leases generally include space within a state owned building being leased out to another state agency or institution of higher education. An example of this is the Capitol Complex Building Group. (Please refer to SECTION III M).
- Acquisitions and Dispositions: 5 acquisitions of real property in FY2023-2024 were reported to the Office of the State
 Architect/Real Estate Program for state agencies and institutions of higher education (Refer to SECTION III K).
- Vacant Facilities: 153 buildings comprising 1,480,318 gross square feet statewide were reported as of October 2022. Each state agency and institution of higher education has provided an individual Vacant Facility Management Plan for each building on this list with an explanation of why the building is vacant and the future plan for the facility use or demolition. (Refer to SECTION III N).

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