

VII. STANDING COMMITTEES**B. Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee**Extension of Contract for Auditing Services, Metropolitan TractRECOMMENDED ACTION:

It is the recommendation of the administration and the Finance, Audit and Facilities Committee that the Board of Regents authorize the President to extend the contract with Peterson Sullivan PLLC to conduct financial auditing services for the Metropolitan Tract for the two years ending June 30, 2007 and June 30, 2008.

BACKGROUND

The initial term of this contract was for three years, with options for extension in two year increments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012. Peterson Sullivan PLLC has extensive experience in auditing public institutions (including UW Housing & Food Services) and real estate assets. Over the initial term of the contract they have provided high quality and timely audit services, and they offer the lowest overall fee structure.

Peterson Sullivan has proposed firm pricing of \$62,750 for the first year of the contract extension, a 6% increase over 2006, with an approximate 1% increase for 2008. Funding for this contract is available from Metropolitan Tract revenues.