1. **Item:** The Grove Landscape Renovation

2. **Requesting Department:** College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

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5. **Recommendation/Action Requested:** Approval

6. **Summary:**
   In support of the Alley Theater’s temporary relocation to the Wortham Theater, the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences has secured funding for the landscape renovation to the Grove and Fine Arts Courtyard. The Grove area is the greenspace bounded by the Moores School of Music, Wortham Theater, Valenti School of Communications and the Fine Arts Building. The goal of this project is to create a welcoming experience for the visitors to the Alley Theater by designing well defined routes to the theater, gathering space, wayfinding signage, improved lighting and overall landscape improvements. The improvements will help raise the awareness of the various venues in the Arts District, provide clear direction to first-time visitors and address safety concerns about low light levels in the evening.

7. **Proposed Start Date:** Design is scheduled for completion in August 2013
   Construction proposed to start December 2013.

8. **Supporting Documentation Description:** Grove and Fine Arts Courtyard Concept Landscape Plans
Improvements Key:

1. Existing asphalt road
2. Existing Wortham Theatre paver plaza
3. Theatre Promenade: plain concrete
4. Secondary walks: plain concrete
5. Decomposed granite plaza
6. Concrete seat walls
7. Concrete plinth/stage
8. Pathway lighting to match existing standard
9. Suspended lantern lighting
10. Bicycle parking at Moores School of Music frontage
11. Plaza perimeter planting
12. Screening hedges
13. New generation of deciduous oaks
14. Flowering understory trees
15. Reconstructed lawns
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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON GROVE RENOVATION
BUDGET OPTION B

Wortham Theatre + Cynthia Woods Mitchell Center for the Arts
Valenti School of Communication
Moores School of Music
School of Art Building

Improvements Key:
1. New colored concrete roadway with flush curbs
2. Roadway lighting to match existing
3. Paver plaza extension
4. Concrete connector walk
5. Supplemental plaza planting