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Approval of Designer Selection

**Project Name:** UTK LaPorte Stadium Upgrades

**UT Project Number** 999/009-111-2026

**Designer Selected:** The Architect Workshop, pllc

**Approved:**

Signed by:  
*Austin Oakes*

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UT Knoxville  
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Category: Standard

Total Budget: \$4,000,000  
MACC: \$3,550,000  
Designer Fee: \$287,604

Project Approval Date: May 7, 2026

Upgrades to the stadium include replacement of the track surface at the Tom Black Track and mechanical upgrades in the Boyd Family Track and Field Center and the Basler Broadcast Center. The project includes all related work.

1. The Architect Workshop, pllc

The Architect Workshop has cited experience which includes several track and field projects for several secondary education facilities which their staff has direct involvement. They are qualified and experienced. Their proposed consultants include Barge Civil Associates, LLC (Civil) and I.C. Thomasson Associates, Inc. (Mechanical & Electrical). The Architect Workshop, pllc. is located in Nashville, TN.

2. Rose Engineering, Inc.

Rose Engineering's listed experience includes various UTK campus projects as well as athletic projects for high schools in the state. They and their consultants work well with campus. Their consultant team includes The Lewis Group Architects, Inc. (Architectural), Vreeland Engineers, Inc. (Electrical), Bennett & Pless, Inc. (Structural), Lauderdale Design Group, Inc. (FF&E), Prince Technologies, LLC (Data & AV), and UES Professional Solutions 19, LLC (Geotechnical, Environmental, & Materials). Rose Engineering, Inc. is located in Knoxville, TN.

Only two firms submitted letters of interest.