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MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR &
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Brooke A. Levin
Director, OPW

SUBJECT: Latham Square Construction
Announcement

DATE: May 8, 2015

City Administrator

Date

Approval /s/ Donna Hom

5/13/15

INFORMATION

The purpose of this informational memorandum is to provide notice of the anticipated start date of construction for the Latham Square Streetscape Improvements Project (Project). This memo also provides information on traffic impacts associated with construction, anticipated public notification, and overall Project scope.

Oakland Public Works (OPW) has contracted with McGuire and Hester, Inc. to construct the Project, which will reconstruct the Latham Square Plaza and neighboring roadways and intersections. The construction contract for this work was awarded by the City Council on March 17, 2015. **The streetscape construction is expected to begin the week of May 18, and it is estimated to take about eight (8) months to complete, in early 2016.** The Project area is Telegraph Avenue from Broadway to 17th Street, Broadway from 14th Street to 17th Street, and 16th Street from Telegraph to San Pablo Avenue. Please refer to *Attachment A* for a location map.

The improvements include expansion of the Latham Square Plaza, improved intersections, traffic signal upgrades, new roadway surfacing, bulbouts, restoration of the historic Latham fountain, informational panels, landscaping, and pedestrian and decorative lighting. During construction, there will be impacts to traffic on Broadway and Telegraph Avenue. One of the phases of construction will require full closure of Telegraph Avenue from Broadway to 16th Street. OPW will make every effort to minimize inconveniences in the neighborhood. The construction staging area will be at 1911 Telegraph Avenue, which is the art park vacant lot at 19th Street and Telegraph Avenue. Updates on this project are available and will be ongoing on the City's website www.oaklandnet.com/lathamsquare.

OPW staff will mail, hand-deliver, and email construction notification letters to nearby residents, businesses, and the Project's stakeholder email contact list. Changeable message board signs will be placed along Broadway and Telegraph Avenue at least two weeks prior to construction to notify the public of upcoming construction and traffic impacts. AT&T will begin investigative

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