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Measure DD Lakeside Green Street Project Launches

Work will expand Snow Park, link pathway around Lake Merritt to downtown, improve water quality

Oakland, CA – Oakland Public Works is launching the Lakeside Green Streets Project, a 14-acre Measure DD green streets project to calm traffic, increase parklands, improve Snow Park, improve water quality, and facilitate pedestrian and bicycle use.

The Lakeside Green Streets Project was conceived as part of the Lake Merritt Master Plan. The project's \$12 million construction cost has been made possible by leveraging local funds to secure federal transportation dollars. The project is funded by \$2.3 million from the Oakland Trust for Clean Water and Safe Parks (Measure DD), \$500,000 from Alameda County's Measure BB, and \$9.2 million from federal transportation funds.

The project's features include:

- Improved pedestrian crossings and pathways.
- Reduced road width on Lakeside Drive to increase pedestrian and cyclist safety.
- New tree-lined pedestrian promenade.
- New bike lanes and bike racks.
- New "tot lot" and children's play area.
- Renovated Snow Park bathrooms and golf putting green.
- New rain gardens to treat stormwater runoff.
- New drought tolerant, native plant landscaping.
- New running trail along Lake Merritt.
- New Measure DD public art project.

Construction Traffic and Parking Impacts:

To ensure pedestrian, cyclist and motorist safety during the first phase of the project, the following crosswalks will be closed beginning this week and continuing through summer 2017.

Crosswalk closures:

- Intersection of Madison Street and Lakeside Drive.

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Crosswalk closures [continued]:

- Crosswalk leading to the Lake pathway from Harrison Street and Lakeside Drive.
- East side of the intersection of Harrison and 20th streets.
- Crosswalks on the east and west sides of Jackson Street and Lakeside Drive will alternate closures so that one crosswalk always remains open.
- Crosswalks located at Harrison and 21st streets and at Harrison Street and Grand Avenue will alternate closures so that one crosswalk always remains open.

Roadway closures:

- Northbound lanes of Lakeside Drive will be closed from Madison Street to Harrison Street. All northbound Lakeside traffic will be detoured to 19th Street.
- Southbound lanes of Lakeside Drive will be closed from Harrison Street to Madison Street. Southbound Lakeside traffic will be detoured to the intersection of Harrison and 20th streets.

The above traffic impacts are for phase one of the project, expected to run through summer 2017. Construction for the total project is expected to run through summer 2019. See the following page for the project map.

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Measure DD Lakeside Green Streets Project map:

