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FROM: Anna Tatár, Library Director

SUBJECT: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

NEW MAIN LIBRARY

The Police garage facility was demolished and the site cleared. A construction contract to clean up contamination on the site was completed in March 2007. A City Council action request to approve additional remediation/change order work is being routed. The property closure report is being prepared by the environmental consultants. A structural review of the plans was completed. The plans were sent to the Office of the State Library for additional reviews required by the grant in March, 2007. The state has requested more time for their review due to the size of the project and additional requests for information. Resubmittal of the plans and specifications to the Development Services Department and Division of State Architect for the building permit is being coordinated. The building program was updated per the final plans in April.

NORTH UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY LIBRARY

SDG&E completed the installation of the gas meter and the test and balancing of the HVAC system can now move forward. With the HVAC running, it is now possible to complete the installation of the non carpet flooring that required the controlled atmosphere of the HVAC system. Work on the landscaping and park is not complete. The turf will not be available for public use during the establishment period which should end by September. The Library and Recreation buildings opening will happen at the same time in late August. There have been some preliminary discussions about the opening between Park and Library staff.

LOGAN HEIGHTS LIBRARY

All project documents are in for final review at the State Library before being put out to bid. It is hoped that the bid will be on the street by June. Once the low bidder has been determined, the contract will be negotiated, finalized and forwarded for Council action before construction can begin.
**OCEAN BEACH LIBRARY**

Staff met with the architect to discuss progress on the designs on May 8th. The architect proposed some changes that would better accommodate staffing limitations. A follow up meeting was held on May 14th with the Library Director to review plans that the architect has revised with his proposed changes. The changes were favorably received and meetings will be held with the Council Office and the community to discuss the designs.

**SERRA MESA – KEARNY MESA LIBRARY**

The Resident Engineer continues to meet with the General Contractor to discuss the completion or resolution of all punch list items. Arts & Culture has forwarded the proposed contract with the selected artist for the Second Phase to the City Attorney for approval. The Second Phase is being funded by the First 5 grant and is to provide an educational area for children under 5 years of age.

**OTAY MESA/EAST LIBRARY**

Staff met with the Planning Department to discuss providing future Library service to the Otay Mesa area given the three proposed development scenarios to the current community plan. Locations of schools, parks, shopping and other community services as well as available transportation are being examined. The locations of current facilities and population density are also being considered. The size and timing of new and/or expanded facilities will also have to be determined so that costs and necessary fees can be estimated.

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