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TO: Elmer Heap, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Community Services

FROM: Deborah Barrow, Library Director

SUBJECT: CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS - UPDATE

NEW MAIN LIBRARY

The Police garage facility was demolished and the site cleared. A construction contract to clean contamination on the site was completed in March 2007. The property closure report is being prepared by the environmental consultants. A structural review of the plans was completed. The Office of the State Library review of the 90% plans and specifications was completed on July 9, 2007. The Development Services Department issued a foundation permit on May 14, 2008. The electrical revisions requested by the Office of Library Construction are being finalized and will be resubmitted to Development Services Department.

LOGAN HEIGHTS LIBRARY

The construction is approximately 25% complete. The concrete slab has been poured. Structural steel columns, beams and decking are being placed. The elevator pit will be poured in the beginning of August. The presentation of the furniture package is scheduled for early August. The project is in the planning stage for audio visual equipment and the placement of video cameras. The expected completion is early fall of 2009.
BALBOA LIBRARY

Staff met with architects to review plans for a new two story library. The library will be approximately 16,250 square feet with 53 underground parking spaces. The existing library will be demolished. The contract needs to be reviewed by Engineering staff and also needs to be presented to the community.

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