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Re: **Curb Ramp Activities Report: May 1 to August 31, 2010**

INTRODUCTION

This report provides detailed information about City of Oakland curb ramp activities for the four-month period beginning May 1, 2010 and ending August 31, 2010. The report provides updates on implementation of the City's ADA Curb Ramp Transition Plan and construction or reconstruction of curb ramps by the City and others. The Public Works Agency (PWA), Design and Construction Services Division (DCSD), currently administers City curb ramp programs. The City ADA Coordinator and Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) provide oversight and guidance for City ADA Title II compliance activities, including curb ramp programs.

BACKGROUND

ADA Title II regulations stipulate that when structural changes to facilities are necessary to achieve program accessibility, a public entity that employs 50 or more persons must develop, within six months of January 26, 1992, a transition plan setting forth the steps necessary to complete such changes. That plan is to identify physical obstacles in the public entity's facilities that limit the accessibility of its programs or activities to individuals with disabilities; describe in detail the methods that will be used to make the facilities accessible; specify the schedule for taking the steps necessary to achieve compliance; and indicate the official responsible for implementation of the plan. In January 1996, the City prepared its transition plan with respect to buildings and facilities.

If a public entity has responsibility or authority over streets, roads, or walkways, then its ADA transition plan must include a schedule for providing curb ramps or other sloped areas where pedestrian walks cross curbs, giving priority to walkways serving entities covered by the ADA, including State and local government offices and facilities, transportation, places of public accommodation, and employers, followed by walkways serving other areas [28 C.F.R. § 35.150(d)(2)].

The 1996 Buildings and Facilities Transition Plan included curb ramp needs for off-street facilities and priorities for curb ramp installation at existing street corners. The Buildings and Facilities Transition Plan incorporated by reference a citywide curb ramp survey completed in 1994. Another citywide curb ramp survey was completed in 2002. The City operated robust curb ramp programs from 1996 to 2007 but no formal changes were made to the 1996 Plan. Pursuant to *Fairfield v. Oakland* (2007), the ADA Programs Division developed a separate ADA Curb Ramp Transition Plan to formalize long-standing curb ramp policies, practices and procedures and to adopt new ones as necessary to substantially comply with federal mandates.

Soon after passage of the ADA, the City recognized that it would take some time to complete a curb ramp transition plan, which requires construction of ramps at over 17,500 locations (street corners). In Fiscal Year 1990-91, the City launched the On-Call Curb Ramp Program to ensure access for people with disabilities living and working in Oakland during the lengthy transition period. The Program is currently funded by the City's general fund and state gas tax funds.

The On-Call Curb Ramp Program constructs curb ramps on an individual basis in response to requests from qualified persons with disabilities. Generally, requests come from residents with disabilities who wish to get to from their home or work place to transportation, school, medical facilities or other areas to accommodate their activities of daily living. This program installed approximately 1,021 curb ramps from 1991 to 2009 (July).

Under the Curb Ramp Transition Plan, the City commits to install 500 curb ramps, and anticipates that others will install 150 curb ramps, on an average annual basis. The City conducts curb ramp infill activities using a corridor-based approach. The following location (land use) priorities for curb ramp infill activities are based upon U.S. Department of Justice ADA Title II Regulations, the City of Oakland General Plan (1998), and best practices of other jurisdictions:

Tier 1: Transit streets and centers

Tier 2: Public facilities

Tier 3: Privately-owned public accommodations

Tier 4: Locations that do not fall into any of the above groups but are within 100 feet of a sidewalk route.

Tier 5: Locations that do not fall into any of the above groups and are greater than 100 feet from a sidewalk route. These locations are neither counted as "possible locations" nor scheduled for improvement.

The City conducts various other capital improvement programs under which curb ramps are constructed or reconstructed, such as streetscape, street resurfacing, and sidewalk repair projects. Curb ramp construction and reconstruction is also completed through private improvements inspected by City staff.

STATUS REPORTS

Curb Ramp Transition Plan Development

The Right of Way Access Coordinator has drafted curb ramp scoping, design and construction standards that will be applicable to all public right of way improvements under the City's jurisdiction, including work performed by the City and by others (private developers, utility

companies, etc.). The ROW Access Coordinator will bring the draft curb ramp standards forward to the MCPD for review in November 2010. Once finalized, these standards will be posted on the City website.

Table 1: Summary of Curb Ramps Constructed or Reconstructed Annually

Fiscal Year	City	Others	Total
2008-2009	300	216	566
2009-2010	435	140	575
2010-2011	N/A	N/A	N/A

Curb Ramp Construction Activity

Table 2: On-Call Curb Ramps Constructed

Forty five (45) curb ramps were constructed under the current On-Call Curb Ramp Contract (C316310) from May 1, 2010, through August 31, 2010.

Request Date	Build Date	Ramp Number	Ramp ID	STREET 1	STREET 2	No. of Ramps	Unit Cost
4/9/09	6/24/10	102	A421	8th Street	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/9/09	6/24/10	103	A418	8TH ST	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/9/09	6/24/10	104	A602	9TH ST	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/9/09	6/24/10	105	A416	8TH ST	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/9/09	6/24/10	106	A603	9TH ST	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/9/09	6/24/10	107	A605	9TH ST	MADISON ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	108	C480	49TH ST	WEBSTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	109	C477	49TH ST	WEBSTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	110	C478	49TH ST	WEBSTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	111	C479	49TH ST	WEBSTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	112	C2038	FOREST ST	SHAFTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	113	C2036	FOREST ST	SHAFTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	114	C2112	HUDSON ST	BOYD AVE	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	115	C2122	COLLEGE AVE	MANILLA AVE	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	116	C2039	FOREST ST	SHAFTER ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	117	C2125	COLLEGE AVE	HUDSON ST	1	2,000

Request Date	Build Date	Ramp Number	Ramp ID	STREET 1	STREET 2	No. of Ramps	Unit Cost
4/10/09	6/24/10	118	C2126	COLLEGE AVE	MANILLA AVE	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	119	C2127	COLLEGE AVE	MANILLA AVE	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	120	C2123	COLLEGE AVE	MANILLA AVE	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	121	B780A	MANDELA PKW	16TH ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	122	B597	26TH ST	CHESTNUT ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	123	B355	28TH ST	CHESTNUT ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	124	B354	28TH ST	CHESTNUT ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	125	B595	28TH ST	CHESTNUT ST	1	2,000
4/10/09	6/24/10	126	B596	28TH ST	CHESTNUT ST	1	2,000
3/10/09	9/2/10	127	B352	28TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/10/09	9/2/10	128	B592	28TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/10/09	9/2/10	129	B591	28TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/10/09	9/2/10	130	B353	28TH ST	LINDEN ST	1	2,000
3/10/09	9/2/10	131	B593	28TH ST	LINDEN ST	1	2,000
3/16/09	9/2/10	132	B594	28TH ST	LINDEN ST	1	2,000
3/17/09	9/2/10	133	B350	28TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/18/09	9/2/10	134	B351	28TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	135	B589	28TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	136	B590	28TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	137	B362	26TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	138	B363	26TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	139	B601	26TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/19/09	9/2/10	140	B602	26TH ST	MYRTLE ST	1	2,000
3/20/09	9/2/10	141	B360	26TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/20/09	9/2/10	142	B361	26TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/20/09	9/2/10	143	B600	26TH ST	FILBERT ST	1	2,000
3/20/09	9/2/10	144	B359	26TH ST	LINDEN ST	1	2,000
3/20/09	9/2/10	145	B599	26TH ST	LINDEN ST	1	2,000
9/15/10	11/20/09			4315 Lincoln		1	2,000
					TOTALS	45	\$90,000

Table 3a and 3b: Pending On-Call Curb Ramp Requests

Sixteen (16) curb ramps are on the pending list for the current On-Call Curb Ramp Contract (C316310).

Request Date	STREET 1	STREET 2	No. of Ramps	Cost Est.
2/16/2010	Hamilton	Harrison Street	2	4,000
5/26/2010	5 th Street	Webster	4	8,000
5/26/2010	6 th Street	Webster	4	8,000
10/7/2010	14 th Street	Adeline	4	8,000
10/7/2010	10 th Street	Wood	2	4,000
		Totals	16	32,000

Additionally, the following four (4) Curb Ramps will be upgraded with domes:

Request Date	Ramp ID	Street1	Street 2	Cost
9/15/10	C2120	College Avenue	Manila Avenue	1,600
9/15/10	C2121	College Avenue	Manila Avenue	1,600
3/20/10	B357	26 th ST	Chestnut ST	1,600
3/20/10	B358	26 th ST	Linden ST	1,600
		Total Cost		\$6,400

Table 4: Curb Ramps Constructed Under Active Corridor Improvement Contracts

315 (three hundred fifteen) curb ramps were constructed under active contracts through August 31, 2010.

City Fund Number	Project Number and Description	Number Ramps Proposed	Number Ramps Complete	Unit Cost	Curb Ramp Budget	Start Date	End Date	Status
2211	C316310—ADA Accommodations; On Call Curb Ramps	260	137	1500	390,000	Oct. 2009		Construction
2211	C317510—Sidewalk Repair; Curb Ramps in Residential Areas	90	10	1800	162,000	Oct. 2009		Construction
2606	C376310—Stimulus for sidewalk and curb ramps in prioritized corridors	330	87	1500	495,000	Mar. 2010		Construction—25% complete
2606	C376410—Stimulus for Street Resurfacing (five year program)	162	81	1500	243,000	Mar. 2010		Construction
	Totals		315		1,466,000			

Table 5: Pending Curb Ramp Projects

City Fund Number	Project Number and Description	Number Ramps Proposed	Number Ramps Complete	Unit Cost	Curb Ramp Budget	Start Date	End Date	Status
2116 2211	G339610—Five-year resurfacing street program	88	0	2000	176,000	Mar 2011		Pre - Bid
2211 2212	C370610— ADA Curb Transition Plan; residential & prioritized corridors FY 09-11	82	N/A	1800	147,600	April 2011		Bid completed in October 25, 2010
2211 2212	C370510—ADA Curb Transition Plan; residential & prioritized corridors FY 09-11	528	N/A	1600	844,800	April 2011		Bid completed in October 25, 2010
5200	C167640—Street Improvements on Macarthur from 73 rd to 77 th Ave;89 th Ave to 90 th Ave; and 106 th Ave to Durant	52	N/A	1800	93,600	April 2011		95% Design
7780	P233275—Street Improvements on E.18 th from Lakeshore to Park & Wayne	33	N/A	1800	59,400	April 2011		95% Design
2214	C390010—Street Improvements at Lakeshore/580 On Ramp	7	N/A	1800	12,600	April 2011		95% Design
2211	P270210—Broadway Interconnect Project	5	N/A	1800	9,000	April 2011		100% Design
	Totals	707			1,167,000			