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TO: Library Commission

FROM: Luis Herrera, City Librarian

RE: Update on the Branch Capital Projects Feasibility Study

At the September 21, 2017 Library Commission meeting, architect Andy Sohn from the Public Works Building and Design and Construction provided an update on the Branch Capital Projects Feasibility Study for the Chinatown, Mission and Ocean View Branch Libraries.

At the January 18, 2018 Library Commission meeting, Mr. Sohn will present an update on the study. The presentation will include details on potential project scope and a range of costs associated with each of the projects. This information and discussion will help inform the commission for a subsequent approval of the sequence of projects and a budget allocation to fund the initial project in FY19 and FY20.

Preliminary costs for the three projects range from \$46 million to \$57 million assuming a renovation for each of the projects. The cost would increase if a decision is made to not renovate the existing Ocean View Library, and instead build a completely new library at a different site.

Library Management and Public Works teams will recommend a sequenced approach to the projects to assure adequate funding is secured for each of the projects.

The current FY18 budget includes \$4.9 million for capital. A final report will be presented in February at which time the Library Commission will be asked to take action to approve the project sequence and the necessary funding for the initial project.

We look forward to a productive discussion and input at the commission meeting.