

Downtown Oakland Streetscape Improvement ACTIA 4



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Project Description:

The streetscape improvements along Broadway, Telegraph Avenue and Washington Street in downtown Oakland will replace existing sidewalks, curbs and gutters and add pedestrian amenities. The reconfiguration and enlargement of Latham Square includes street widening and undergrounding utilities.

Project Status Report

The Downtown Oakland Streetscape project has been divided into four phases:

Phase 4A - "Latham Square" – Design Complete (Repackaging will occur after basement issues resolved.)

Phase 4B - "Telegraph" – (Phase I & II) - The portion of Telegraph Avenue from 18th Street is complete; the remainder will be constructed after the completion of the Basement Backfill and Repair Program (BBRP).

Phase 4C - "Old Oakland Streetscape" – Design Complete (Repackaging will occur after basement issues resolved.)

Phase 4D - "Broadway Phase III Streetscape" – Construction Complete.

The Phase 4D project, "Broadway Phase III Streetscape" and a portion of Phase 4B (Telegraph Avenue) were substantially completed in 2008. The remaining three Downtown Oakland Streetscape projects have been delayed. Due to the discovery of extremely deteriorated basement conditions, including leaking and rusted elevator access doors, deteriorated structural boundary elements, rusted rebar, leaking skylights and sidewalk grilles, the City cannot proceed with any sidewalk work in the downtown areas until these issues are resolved at 27 property locations. The City is implementing a separately funded BBRP to work with property owners to either backfill their basement spaces or ensure that their basement spaces are made structurally sound prior to the implementation of any streetscape project. Construction on the remaining three project phases is anticipated to be delayed until 2011.

Recent Activities:

- City continuing work on BBRP. Since July 2008, the City has established and funded the BBRP and is implementing a pilot group of 14 grant agreements and loans. Approximately 70% of the affected basements have begun retrofitting and/or backfill activities.

Upcoming Activities:

- City resolution of private basement encroachments under existing sidewalks in project area (non-ACTIA funded).
- Repackaging of Phase 4A, 4B and 4C streetscape projects.

Project Issues:

Issue	Action Plan
Private basement encroachments under sidewalks. City implementing separately funded BBRP in conjunction with property owners in the downtown area.	Periodically monitor progress of BBRP. About 70% of property owners have executed agreements with the City to retrofit or backfill their basements.

Project Cost/Funding (\$ x 1,000)

Cost Estimate by Phase	
Scoping	\$ 0
PE/Environmental	\$ 65
Final Design (PS&E)	\$ 1,751
Right-Of Way	\$ 0
Utility Relocation	\$ 0
Construction	\$ 13,013
Equipment Purchase	\$ 0
Total	\$ 14,829

Funding	
Measure B	\$ 6,358
Federal	\$ 0
State	\$ 0
Regional	\$ 0
Local	\$ 8,471
Other	\$ 0
Total	\$ 14,829

Local Funding Includes: City of Oakland - \$8.471 million

Project Schedule by Phase

Project Phase	Schedule	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
PE/Environmental	03/05 - 06/08	—————								
Final Design (PS&E)	07/04 - 12/08	—————								
Construction - Phase 4D/4B1	09/07 - 12/08			—————						
"City BBRP" (not part of ACTIA project)	07/08 - 06/14			—————						
Construction - Phase 4C	04/11 - 12/11						—————			
Construction - Phase 4A/4B2	07/14 - 06/15									→



Sample streetscape improvements in West Oakland