

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 17, 2021
To: Harbor Commission
From: Mike Wiltshire, Waterfront Director
Subject: **Facilities Management Report**

DREDGING – FEDERAL CHANNEL FUNDING

The US President's FY22 budget proposal has recommended \$3.63M to the US Army Core of Engineers to continue dredging Santa Barbara's Federal Channel. Last year's approved funding was \$2.9M.

The Waterfront would like to thank Senator Alex Padilla, Senator Dianne Feinstein, Congressman Salud Carbajal, County Board of Supervisors, and City Council for their support to request continued federal funding. These funds are vital to keep the Santa Barbara Federal Channel dredged and safely operational.

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

The Underground Storage Tank (UST) project has been substantially completed, fencing removed, and parking restored. Although there are still some remaining punch-list project tasks before final completion.

The Alley Way between 117 Building and 125 Building will remain closed with access for pedestrians only until the asphalt striping is re-painted, proper signage installed, and the staircase repaired.

B&T Service Stations Contractor completed their Underground Fuel Tank Project on May 28, 2021 but they need to return to repair the west staircase to 125 Building. The staircase's support columns shifted during construction, and now need repairing.

While the Alley Way is closed, it encourages drivers to use the 'Round About' to avoid congestion near the foot of the City Pier. Also, the additional closure time helps the Waterfront staff evaluate vehicle traffic patterns, look for ways on how to improve pedestrian safety, observe fuel truck deliveries, and where to make adjustments to adjacent parking spaces.

The Waterfront plans to re-open the Alley Way to commercial vehicle traffic as soon as possible. Any future plans regarding closing the Alley Way for pedestrians only will require planning, design, and stakeholder input.

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