

**CITY OF OAKLAND**  
**AGENDA REPORT**

TO: Office of the City Administrator  
ATTN: Deborah Edgerly  
FROM: Public Works Agency  
DATE: December 12, 2006

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK  
2006 DEC 20 PM 5:49

RE: **An Ordinance Adopting The "Standard Specifications For Public Works Construction, 2006 Edition" And Repealing Ordinance No. 12614 C.M.S. And All Resolutions Related Thereto**

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**SUMMARY**

An ordinance has been prepared adopting the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction, (commonly known as the GREENBOOK), 2006 Edition. Adoption of this ordinance will replace the 2003 Edition of the GREENBOOK, which was adopted on July 20, 2004 by Ordinance No. 12614 C.M.S.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Contractors have typically purchased specifications at the time of bidding. Therefore, no additional costs will be incurred by the City as a result of this recommendation. There is no fiscal impact. The revised specifications will have no significant impact on material prices and will therefore not impact the cost to construct capital improvement projects.

**BACKGROUND**

The GREENBOOK is a specialized document governing public works construction. This specification provides industry standard rules for construction management, as well as quality assurance and quality control procedures. A joint committee of the Southern California Chapter, American Public Works Association and Southern California Districts, Associated General Contractors of America updates the GREENBOOK every three years. The GREENBOOK is used by most public agencies in California and has been the City of Oakland's standard specification document since 1969.

The legal aspects of the specifications have been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office. When adopted, the 2006 Edition will become the official standard specification for both public works and private development improvements within the City of Oakland.

**KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS**

The 2006 Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction include revisions since the last adopted GREENBOOK in 2003 that reflect modifications in technical requirements for materials, such as asphalt mix, resins for plastic sewer pipe and other items. These changes will not have a significant impact on current or planned capital projects, nor on cost. Adoption of this ordinance will assure that Oakland's Capital Improvement Projects are constructed in compliance with these standards. The project Special Provisions for every construction contract modifies the GREENBOOK with respect to site-specific conditions and to reflect advanced concepts and changing technologies of the construction industry. All such modifications are authorized by the City Council when they approve the resolutions awarding individual construction contracts.

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## SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic: The adoption of the 2006 Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction provides cost-effective industry standards and practices for incorporation into City Capital Improvement Projects.

Environmental: Contract specifications require the contractor to incorporate recycled content products into the project construction. Contract specifications also require the contractor to provide a Job Site Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan and Summary Report. The contractor's plan and report will state how much of the anticipated amount of construction and demolition debris generated by the construction project will be diverted from landfills.

Social Equity: The adoption of the 2006 Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction will facilitate the construction of safe structures that benefit the neighborhoods and enhance the social equity of the residents of Oakland.

## DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

There is no direct impact or benefit to seniors or people with disabilities.


## RECOMMENDATION AND RATIONALE

It is recommended that the ordinance adopting the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction, 2006 Edition, be approved. It is also recommended that the Director of the Public Works Agency be authorized to periodically review and amend the Standard Specifications to reflect advanced concepts and changing technologies of the construction industry.

## ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff recommends that the ordinance be approved.

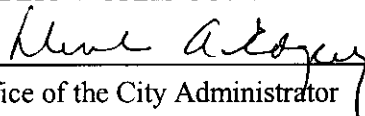
Respectfully submitted,

*for*   
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Raul Godinez II, P.E.  
Director, Public Works Agency

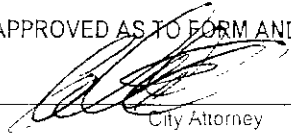
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE  
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

  
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Office of the City Administrator

INTRODUCED BY COUNCILMEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

  
City Attorney

2006 MAR 03 PM 6:09 **OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE "STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION, 2006 EDITION" AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 12614 C.M.S. AND ALL RESOLUTIONS RELATED THERETO**

**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1.** The specifications, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Clerk, entitled "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction, 2006 Edition" (commonly known as the "GREENBOOK") are hereby approved and adopted as the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction in the City of Oakland. The specifications are adopted upon approval by the Council of the City of Oakland.
- Section 2.** Ordinance No. 12614 C.M.S. adopted on July 20, 2004 and all resolutions related thereto are hereby repealed.
- Section 3.** The Director of the Public Works Agency is hereby authorized to periodically review and amend the Standard Specifications to reflect advanced concepts and the changing technology of the construction industry.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, \_\_\_\_\_, 2006

**PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
LaTonda Simmons  
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council  
Council of the City of Oakland, California

**NOTICE AND DIGEST**

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