

- TO: Sabrina B. Landreth City Administrator
- SUBJECT: Options for Actions to Provide Restrooms and Handwashing Stations

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**FROM:** Jason Mitchell Director, OPW

DATE: November 2, 2017

City Administrator Approval: Date

# **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff Recommends That The City Council Receive An Informational Report On The Options for Actions to Provide Restrooms and Handwashing Stations on City Owned Land, Starting with City Hall Plaza.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

On October 5, 2017 the City Council Rules Committee scheduled an item directing staff to provide information regarding additional restrooms and handwashing stations at City owned facilities, specifically at City Hall and 150 and 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza. The intent of the item was to make it possible for public workers, visitors and others in the community to have more accessible and convenient access to restrooms and hand washing facilities without restrictions.

## **BACKGROUND / LEGISLATIVE HISTORY**

The City Council appropriated \$150,000 in FY 2017-2018 and \$250,000 in FY 2018-2019 for the City to rent and install porta-potties and hand washing stations at existing homeless encampments. A number of those stations have been installed and more will be added. On October 13, 2017 the Governor issued a proclamation of emergency concerning an outbreak of Hepatitis A in San Diego, Santa Cruz and Los Angeles counties. There are no known reports of Hepatitis A in Alameda County. Nevertheless, Oakland will continue to install additional sanitation stations at homeless encampments as a basic source of sanitation for unsheltered residents. Additionally, the City has requested that the County of Alameda provide support for more installations. The item that was scheduled by the Rules Committee is not specific to homeless encampments but rather requests information concerning restrooms and handwashing stations at City owned locations.

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# **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact for providing additional, outdoor restrooms and handwashing stations specifically at City Hall, 150 and 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza will include the cost of renting said equipment. The rates below are estimates to cover the cost of renting one (1) restroom and (1) washing station for a month. The cost would multiply depending on the quantity required and the regularity of servicing the stations. The line item cost for one station is listed below:

#### RENTAL

- ADA Restroom Facility: \$195.00 per month (weekly cleaning services)
- Hand Washing Station: \$160.00 per month (weekly cleaning services)
- **One-time Delivery Fee:** \$175 (both units)
- Staff Cost to Coordinate: TBD depending on the scope of the project

Staff requests that the City Council provide additional comments concerning the intended number and locations for adding outdoor sanitation facilities prior to taking further action. Absent this information, staff does not recommend rental of additional facilities beyond what has been currently budgeted.

## PUBLIC OUTREACH /INTEREST

There was no formal outreach performed for the purposes of this report.

### COORDINATION

The Department of Public Works coordinated with the City Administrator's office in preparation of this informational report.

## ACTION REQUESTED OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Staff Recommends That The City Council Receive An Informational Report On The Options for Actions to Provide Restrooms and Handwashing Stations on City Owned Land, Starting with City Hall Plaza Rules.

For questions regarding this report, please contact Derin Minor, Oakland Public Works, Facilities Services Division Manager, 510-238-3998.

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