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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 11, 2020

TO: City Building Committee
FROM: David Oakes, Public Works Facilities & Energy Manager

RE: Main Library – Historic Section Wall Plaster Remediation & Repairs

Public Works staff is continuing to obtain competitive pricing for both the plaster abatement work scope and plaster repair work scope. This work will allow a quick response, if and when the CT Preservation Office responds favorably to the 4/29 grant application filed by ECD.

Background:

Fracturing and delamination of plaster walls within the 1st floor historic section of the Main Library is currently occurring at 5 High Street. Based on investigation, the cracking is most likely from previous demolition activities associated with the renovation and expansion of the Main Library.

Lead based paint was found within the delamination plaster and a cost to abate the areas has been provided by Accurate Insulation in the sum of \$15,000.

City Staff met with the State of CT Preservation Officers on 2/7/20 at the site, to discuss the plan and the potential to received state grant funding to proceed with the abatement and repair work scopes.

Grants Administrator Dr. Dawn Leger of the ECD submitted a grant application for the repair of the delaminated plaster on April 29, 2020. The grant is an open grant, with no deadline for submission. Funds for this work are being requested in the FY20-21 Building Committee budget.