## CITY OF LOS ANGELES INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

Date: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

To: Municipal Facilities Committee

From: Steven Fierce, AIA

Municipal Facilities Program Manager

Bureau of Engineering

Subject: PROJECT UPDATE - EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AND FIRE

STATION 4 (EOC-FS4) LOCATED AT 500 EAST TEMPLE ST, LOS ANGELES CA 90012 FOR THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT (LAFD) - W.O. NO

E170061

**Updates:** Denoted in bold print

## **Councilmember Huizar, CD 14**

# EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER & FIRE STATION NO. 4 FAÇADE REPLACEMENT – PHASE 1



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| 1. Background        | <ul> <li>2017, City hired a consultant to evaluate the condition of the tile installation and provide recommendations to mitigate the falling tiles.         <ul> <li>Falling tiles were mostly falling from the south-facing stone façade. This side received the most sunlight, and thereby the most heat</li> <li>The report found that there were tiles that had not been installed correctly</li> <li>Recommendations from the report were to fully replace the tile façade (\$2 million) or remove original tiles and replace with a plaster veneer façade (\$785,000)</li> <li>Municipal Facilities Committee (MFC) chose the latter and directed the BOE to proceed with development of construction drawings. Construction drawings would be provided to Department of General Services (GSD) to construct the new façade treatment, subject to additional funding</li> </ul> </li> <li>October 2019, MFC directed BOE to hire an architectural firm from the on-call consultant list to develop conceptual designs, construction estimate, and construction drawings with a not-to-exceed amount of \$145,000</li> <li>March 2020, all projects were placed on hold by the Mayor's office due to the COVID-19 pandemic</li> <li>October 2020, BOE requested an exception from the contracting restrictions set forth by the Mayor's Cost Containment Measures memo dated June 24, 2020. This exemption was granted by the Mayor's Office in December 2020.</li> </ul> |
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| 2. Current<br>Status | January 2021, the BOE executed a task order solicitation and hired Paul Murdoch Architects (PMA) to prepare to develop construction documents and provide a construction estimate to replace the exterior façade with plaster veneer for a not-to-exceed amount of \$785,000      PMA provided a construction estimate for a plaster veneer façade at the cost of \$1,231,149, citing construction costs for materials and labor had significantly increased due to the demand of construction services and short supply of construction materials      The CAO allocated additional funding of \$1,272,481 to cover the revised construction cost of \$1,231,149 to replace the exterior façade with a plaster veneer  November 2021, BOE provided constructions documents to GSD to finalize construction costs. GSD estimated and provided a new construction cost of \$1,899,764.      GSD cited the increase costs in construction labor and materials throughout the entire year      BOE reported the revised estimated cost to the CAO and requested additional funding of \$954,938 through CTIEP funds to cover the shortfall   |

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- CAO reported that any approved CTIEP funding would not be available until the start of fiscal year 2022-2023.
   January 2022, BOE and GSD agree to phase the construction into
   Phase 1 South Side facade replacement and construction
- January 2022, BOE and GSD agree to phase the construction into 1) Phase 1 – South Side façade replacement and construction, and 2) Phase 2 – North Side and Courtyard façade replacement and construction. Phasing the construction would allow BOE and GSD to use the current allocated funding of \$944,826 to advance the project, as it addresses the safety issue the facility was having. No tiles from the north side have been observed to have fallen from the façade.
  - February 2022, GSD revised their construction estimate to \$899,993 for Phase 1. This leaves Phase 2 construction costing \$999,771
  - BOE reported the phased construction plan and updated construction estimate to the CAO. The CAO found the phased construction plan to be a suitable solution to address the tiles falling on the south side and to progress the project forward while waiting for additional funds.
  - BOE issued an NTP to GSD on March 2, 2022 to begin construction on Phase 1

3. Budget

The budget for the proposed work is from MICLA authorized funding for EOC-FS4 and CTIEP funds. Below is are summary tables of the funding and estimated costs of the project

## Per MFC Report Dated 2019

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|---------------------------|-------|------------|---------|------------|-------|------|--|
|                           | Estin | nated Cost | Allocat | ed Funding | Short | fall |  |
| Design                    | \$    | 200,000.00 | \$      | 239,352.00 | Ś     | _    |  |
| Construction              | \$    | 785,000.00 | \$      | 545,648.00 | \$    | -    |  |

| Estimated Costs as of August 2021 |              |                 |                   |           |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|--|--|--|
|                                   |              | Estimated Cost  | Allocated Funding | Shortfall |  |  |  |
|                                   | Design       | \$ 200,000.00   | \$ 239,352.00     | \$ -      |  |  |  |
|                                   | Construction | \$ 1,250,000.00 | \$ 1,250,000.00   | \$ -      |  |  |  |

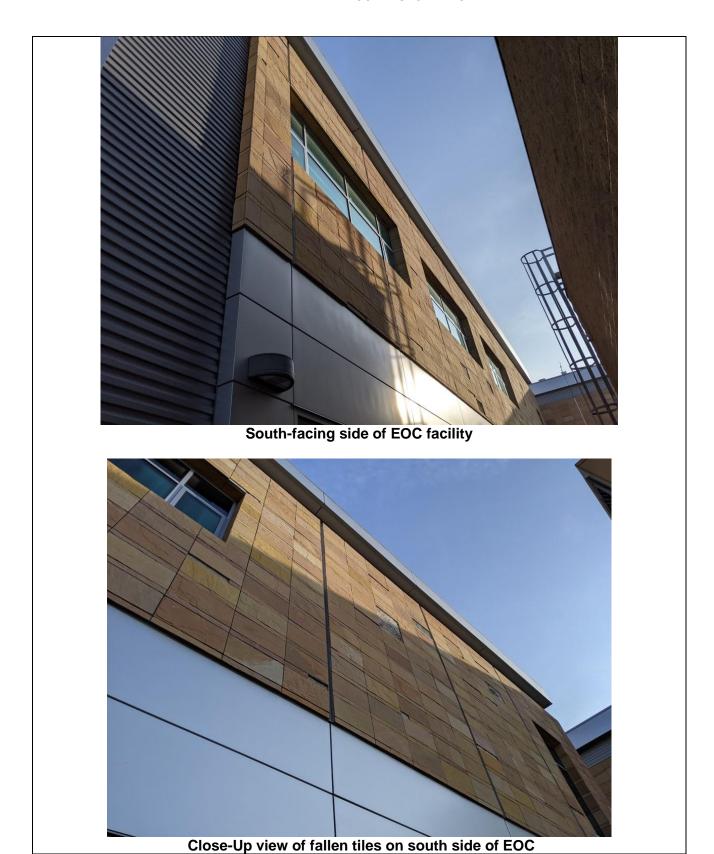
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| Estimated Costs as of November 2021 |              |                       |                 |               |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|--|--|--|
|                                     |              | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | Shortfall       |               |  |  |  |
|                                     | Design       | \$ 200,000.00         | \$ 239,352.00   | \$ -          |  |  |  |
|                                     | Construction | \$ 1,899,764.00       | \$ 1,250,000.00 | \$ 649,764.00 |  |  |  |

| Estimated Costs as of February 2022 (Phased Construction) |              |                    |            |        |                   |        |           |  |
|---|--------------|--------------------|------------|--------|-------------------|--------|-----------|--|
| Phase 1   |              | Estimated Cost All |            | Alloca | Allocated Funding |        | Shortfall |  |
|   | Design       | \$                 | 200,000.00 | \$     | 239,352.00        | \$     | -         |  |
|   | Construction | \$                 | 899,993.00 | \$     | 1,250,000.00      | \$     | -         |  |
| Phase 2   |              |                    |            |        |                   |        |           |  |
|   | Construction | \$                 | 999,771.00 | TBD    |                   | \$ 999 | ,771.00   |  |

| 4. Schedule   | The proposed project design and construction schedule is as follows:   |                   |                  |                    |                   |  |
|---------------|--|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
|               | Activity<br>Description  | Previous<br>Start | Revised<br>Start | Previous<br>Finish | Revised<br>Finish |  |
|               | Design<br>Bid and  | 3/1/2020          | 2/1/2021         | 6/1/2020           | 1/31/2022         |  |
|               | Award  | 6/1/2020          | 2/1/2022         | 8/1/2020           | 3/7/2022          |  |
|               | Construction<br>Post   | 8/1/2022          | 3/7/2022         | 11/30/2021         | 8/31/2022         |  |
|               | Construction   | 11/30/2021        | 8/31/2022        | 12/31/2021         | 10/31/2022        |  |
| 5. Key Issues | The BOE requests to purposes. The department of the control of the |                   |                  | •                  |                   |  |

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Erected scaffolding over entrance on South Side. Visible tiles fallen from façade



North side of facility. Erected scaffolding over FS4 firetruck entrances

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