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DOWNTOWN STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION

SALEM, OR - May 5, 2006 The Urban Development Department and the Public Works Department of the City of Salem are proceeding with the construction of new sidewalk improvements in three locations in downtown Salem. This new construction is being performed by Brown Contracting Inc. from Eugene, Oregon, as part of the Downtown Streetscape Improvement Program which has been in place since 1985. The locations receiving new streetscape improvements are:

- 1.) 189 Liberty St. NE (The Reed Opera House), 155 Liberty St. NE. (The Salem Arts Building)
- 2.) 181-191 High St. NE (The Grand Hotel, Grand Theater)
- 3.) 525-545 Ferry St. SE (Ira's Alley Building)

This new streetscape construction work is anticipated to begin the week of May 15, 2006, and be completed by July 30, 2006.

Additionally, there is planned reconstruction of failing tile on areas of existing streetscape throughout the downtown core area. The planned reconstruction for these areas is removal of failed and deteriorating tiled sidewalk and replacement with concrete. Pending sufficient funding, this reconstruction work is scheduled to begin by July 1, 2006, and be complete by August 30, 2006.

Merchants and property owners will be notified weekly of project developments that address construction activities, pedestrian access, parking concerns, and any other issues that may develop. For more information, comments or questions, please contact Jeff Datwyler, Urban Design Coordinator, Urban Development Department of the City of Salem, (503)588-6178 ext.7555

(See Project Area Map for more detail on areas of construction and reconstruction).

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