

City of Grover Beach

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Ground Breaking Ceremony for Phase 2 of West Grand Avenue Enhancements

GROVER BEACH, CA – The City of Grover Beach cordially invites the public to a ground breaking ceremony for the 2nd Phase of the **West Grand Avenue Enhancement Project.** The ceremony will be held at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 22, 2013** on North 8th Street between West Grand Avenue and Ramona Avenue.

The West Grand Avenue Enhancement Project, Phase 2, involves construction of street and pedestrian improvements along West Grand Avenue between 8th and 11th Streets. The project components consist of landscaped center medians, landscape irrigation and lighting, accessible corner ramps, sidewalk and street repairs, slurry sealing, and striping. The goals of the project are to enhance and clearly define the City's downtown core.

This is a strategic investment on a major regional corridor that will support economic vitality in Grover Beach and promote our downtown area as a livable community. Enhancements will improve multimodal access for pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit systems and vehicles. Slower traffic speeds will also improve safety along this major corridor.

Total project costs are estimated at **\$1.2 million dollars** with funding coming from a variety of sources, including \$832,000 in Regional Transportation Improvement Program funds, obtained with the assistance of the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) and \$292,000 in Gas Tax Funds. The remainder of the funding is from other City sources.

The project is expected to take approximately 99 working days, or a little over three months to complete - - weather permitting. Local businesses will remain open during project construction, and City staff will make every effort to maintain access to those businesses. Motorists should, however, expect lane closures and intermittent brief traffic delays.

Please contact Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg Ray at City Hall by calling:

(805) 473-4520 or by email to: publicworks@grover.org for additional information.

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