



December 27, 2012

Howard Lazar
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San Francisco Arts Commission
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RE: Jefferson Street Public Realm Construction

Dear Howard,

As a follow up to the December 11, 2012 Port Commission meeting regarding the projected construction schedule of the Jefferson Street Public Realm please be advised that as of January 2, 2013 the contractor will commence construction. The project will require all street artists along Jefferson Street between Jones and Hyde be relocated for the duration of construction which is estimated at approximately six months.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause to the program as well as the artists. Unfortunately due to space constraints, the Port is unable to provide alternative locations on Jefferson Street during construction. However it is our understanding there are alternative Street Artist locations within close proximity that can be activated for the displaced artists.

Prior to re-activating the Street Artist Program upon completion of the project, the Port would like to hold a community meeting with the various stakeholders including street artists, merchants, FWCB and SFPD. While the Port has been a long standing supporter of the Street Artist Program, there are a number of operational issues that need to be addressed. The community meetings will hopefully provide an opportunity to improve program and take into account the extensive investment the City is making to improve pedestrian and traffic flow along Jefferson Street.

Sincerely,



Jay Edwards
Senior Property Manager

Cc: Susan Reynolds, Deputy Director
Rip Malloy, Property Manger
Troy Campbell, Executive Director FWCB