

**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY PURCHASE PURSUANT TO
SANTA BARBARA MUNICIPAL CODE § 4.52.080**

I, Mike Wiltshire, Waterfront Director, have declared an emergency purchase order to repair the sewer line and fixtures at the Stearns Wharf public restroom.

This emergency declaration complies with Municipal Code Section 4.52.080.

Routine purchase orders would require additional time which will compromise our duty to provide essential services to the harbor and boating community.

The restroom plays a vital service to the residential harbor community. The sewer line failed and requires immediate replacement for health and safety maintenance. The existing material is cast iron that has corroded and connections to the mainline and fixtures have been compromised.

Update 4.29.26 During the demolition of the concrete curb wall the existing tile floor was found to be unstable to reinstall new partitions. Removing the failing tile and replacing it with an epoxy type material will ensure continued service and improved safety to the public.

The Waterfront department has reached out to three companies for quotes but needs to decide very soon to schedule a contractor is best qualified for the logistical considerations of working on and under the wharf and who is available. Contractors are very busy, and waiting 30 to 60 days for the lowest bidder to be available further impacts the safe accessibility to this facility.

The emergency work will be funded by Waterfront's Capital Improvement Project fund. The existing Emergency PO is NTE \$149,506.

Update 4.29.26 The Change Order shall be NTE \$10,800.

Thank you.



Mike Wiltshire, Waterfront Director

5/4/2026

Date