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MEDIA ADVISORY

Lack Of Minority Hiring On Capitol Drive Reconstruction Project To Be Addressed *News Conference Tomorrow at N. 51st St. and W. Capitol Dr. With Ald. Joe Davis, Sr.*

Ald. Joe Davis, Sr. will host a news conference tomorrow to call attention to what he calls a painfully apparent lack of minority hiring for the current reconstruction of W. Capitol Dr. from N. 35th St. to N. 60th St.

The news conference will be held at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow (Wednesday, June 7, 2006) at the intersection of N. 51st St. and W. Capitol Dr. Other elected officials could be joining Ald. Davis for the news conference.

“This project has been underway for some time and as I’ve been monitoring it I have quickly determined that the lack of minority hiring on the project is unacceptable, and I say ‘enough is enough,’” Ald. Davis said.

The reconstruction of the busy stretch of W. Capitol Dr. from N. 35th to N. 60th is generally limiting traffic to one lane in each direction. The project, which includes streetscaping amenities added to the stretch of Capitol near Midtown Center (N. 51st to N. 60th streets).

Construction is scheduled to last until later in the year. State and federal transportation funds pay for 91% of the concrete paving work, with the city picking up 9%. Traffic control improvements associated with the project will be paid 100% by state transportation sources.

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