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Subject: Gospel Mission - 325 Carrall St

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

On Wednesday evening, demolition activity on the property adjacent to the Gospel Mission, 325 Carrall St, resulted in damage to the Mission building. Major cracks have appeared in the façade wall. The exact cause of damage is unknown as the buildings are meant to be independent of each other.

A City Building Inspector was called in to review the condition of the building and, in consultation with the contractor and tenant, closed the building pending a structural review. London Mah Structural Engineers have assessed the situation at the site and determined that emergency repairs are required. London Mah and the Millennium group, who is the developer of the neighboring site, have been given approval to do the emergency repairs under the supervision of the structural engineer. The owner of the Gospel Mission building has agreed to this.

Millennium have made it clear they are going to do everything in their power to deal with the damage.

Millennium had difficulty in sourcing a qualified contractor available immediately but have a contractor for Monday morning. Once work is underway, they will have a better idea of the extent of the damage and the time to repair fully.

The Gospel Mission offers a regular meal program, church services and shower programs. Unlike the Union Gospel Mission, the Gospel Mission is not a residence and does not have tenants. The top floor of the building is currently vacant. Service is provided to around 50 people. Options for serving meals are being evaluated and the City will work with Gospel Mission to plan alternative service options while the building is closed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Kaye Krishna if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Best, Paul

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