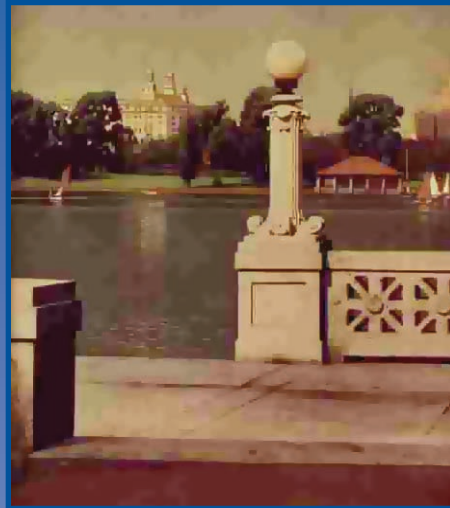


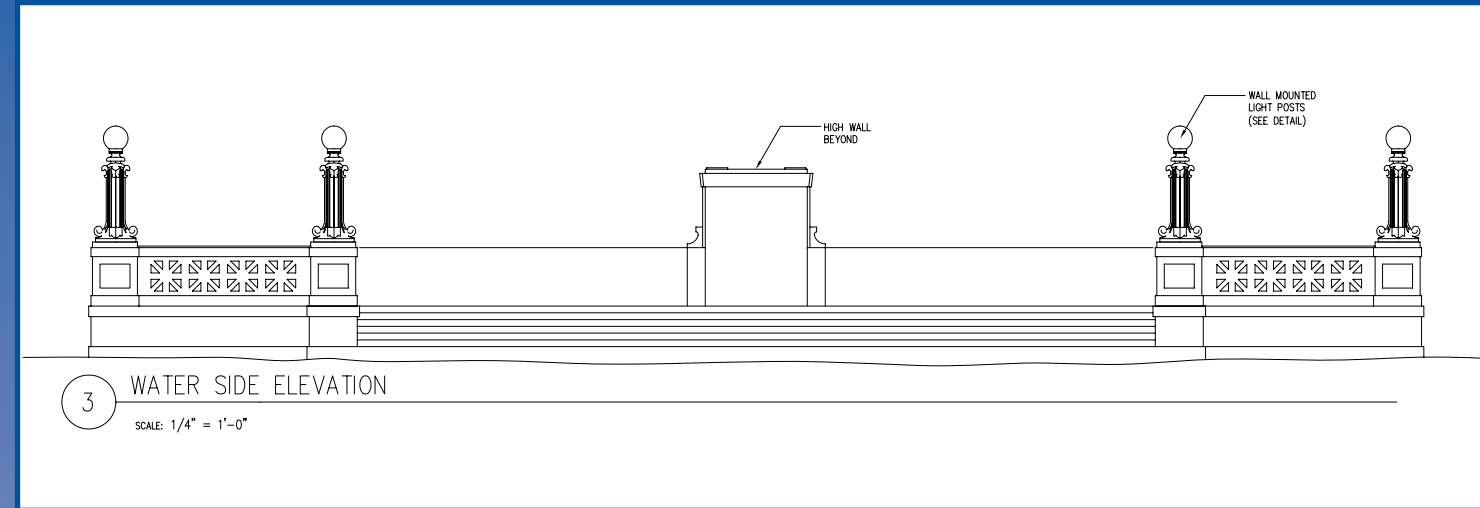
# LAKE MERRITT PARK IMPROVEMENTS



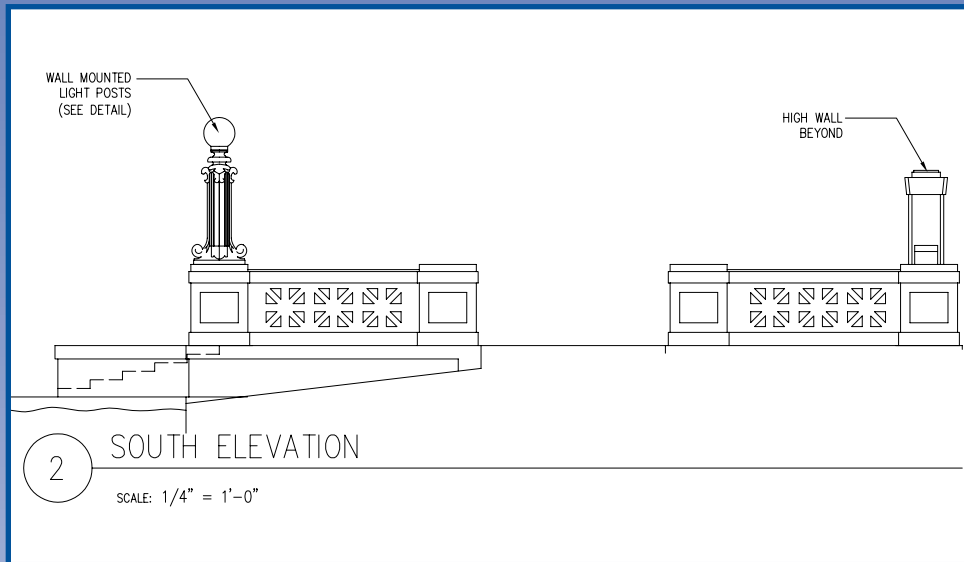
## Historic East 18th Street Pier Reconstruction



Historic Postcard showing lights to be replaced



Architectural Drawing showing Reconstructed Pier – view from Lake Merritt toward E. 18th Street



Architectural Drawing showing Reconstructed Pier – view from north side of pier looking south



Historic Postcard showing stairs and lights to be replaced

### BACKGROUND

In November 2002, Oakland voters passed a bond measure known as Measure DD—the Oakland Trust for Clean Water and Safe Parks. This \$198 million bond will fund a variety of projects related to clean water and parks, including the East 18th Street Pier Project.

### SCOPE OF WORK

The East 18th Street Pier is a part of City of Oakland Landmark and National Historic Landmark District. The Pier will be restored to Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

The engineering assessment of the Pier has determined that the piers which extend down into the Lake bottom are failing and must be reconstructed. The steps that originally descended to the water have entirely collapsed. It is planned that existing rails and columns on the top of the deck will be salvaged and reused.

The original historic architectural elements on the Pier will be replicated and installed on the structure. These include:

- Decorative lights, mounted on the four columns on the west side of the Pier.
- Stairs on the west side of the Pier which descend to the water's edge.
- A 7-foot high wall on the east side of the pier.

### SHORT HISTORY OF THE EAST 18TH STREET PIER

Originally constructed in 1908 as part of improvements to Lake Merritt by Mayor Frank K. Mott. Designed by prominent Oakland architect, Walter Reed who also designed the Municipal Boathouse and the Pergola. Original construction cost - \$4,500.

The Pier is one of three architectural features that were constructed to mark the major creek inlets to the Lake Merritt.

- The Pergola, which marks Indian Gulch, Trestle Glen Creek and Wildwood Creek.
- The small seating area adjacent to Grand Avenue west of Fairyland which marks Glen Echo Creek.
- The E. 18th Street Pier marks the Park Boulevard Creek.

### FUNDING

The project is funded by Measure DD – the Oakland Trust for Clean Water and Safe Parks. The construction budget for East 18th Street Pier project is \$1 million.

### CURRENT STATUS

The project is scheduled for construction completion in early 2008.

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