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Postbus 79092 1070 NC Amsterdam Telefoon 020 575 2111 www.zuidas.nl Dear Resident, Entrepreneur or other interested party,

In 2019, we will launch the Zuidasdok project. This will involve the widening of the southern section of the A10, creating tunnels for part of this motorway and upgrading the Amsterdam Zuid railway station. The preparations will start this year and through this letter, we would like to provide you with some initial information and invite you to a briefing meeting on this subject.

Why Zuidasdok?

The Zuidasdok project will improve the accessibility of the Zuidas and the northern part of the Randstad. This is no luxury, as economic activity in the area has been increasing steadily; traffic jams on the southern section of the A10 have become common during peak hours, and the platforms of the Amsterdam Zuid railway station have also become very crowded. The only way to keep traffic flowing, both on the motorway and through the railway station, is to increase capacity. Accommodating the extended road capacity in tunnels will improve the quality of life in the central Zuidas neighbourhood.

What is going to happen?

The southern section of the A10 will be upgraded to six lanes (from four) over a distance of six kilometres. The junctions 'Amstel' and 'De Nieuwe Meer' will be redesigned. The part of the A10 north of the railway station will be guided into two tunnels. The space thus freed up at ground level will be used to expand the Amsterdam Zuid railway station, and also to re-design its immediate surroundings.

Zuidasdok will be realised by Zuidplus contractors

After an intensive tendering process, the contract to design and realise Zuidasdok has been awarded to a consortium operating under the name of Zuidplus, consisting of the construction companies Fluor, Heijmans and HOCHTIEF. Zuidplus submitted a well thought out and high-quality proposal, which scored well on all our evaluation criteria. They will go to great lengths to limit the impact of noise, vibration and work traffic and to retain a good Datum 21-02-2017 Ons kenmerk 3692016

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quality of life for the duration of the construction works, by applying noisereducing building techniques, smart logistics and construction methods that minimise the burden on public space. The modern and spacious design for the new station perfectly matches the cosmopolitan character of the area and also allows for park-like surroundings.

Planning

In the next year or so, the preparations for the actual construction work will be carried out. This involves setting up the construction area, taking soil samples and cutting some trees. The Zuidas proposal will also be turned into a so-called pre-design, which is essentially a much more detailed project plan. The actual construction activities will commence in 2019 and last until completion in 2028. On our website, <u>www.zuidas.nl</u>, you can find more information about the project plan.

What do these activities mean for you?

Zuidasdok is obviously an extensive construction project, carried out in a relatively small and very busy area. The measures designed to limit the impact on the neighbouring environment will mitigate some, but not all of the inconveniences that will inevitably result from such a project. People living or working in the area will definitely experience some kind of inconvenience, for instance in the form of noise, temporary road closures or finding construction sites on their doorsteps.

Meetings

We would like to invite you to one of the briefing meetings in March, where we will elaborate on our plans and be able to answer your questions in person. The construction consortium would also like to introduce themselves to you. Each meeting starts with a presentation, followed by an opportunity to speak to one of the project's team members on an individual basis.

Monday 13th of March, De Nieuwe Poort, Claude Debussylaan 2, 7-9 pm Wednesday 15th of March, De Nieuwe Poort, Claude Debussylaan 2, 5-7 pm Thursday 23rd of March, Old School podium, Gaasterlandstraat 3-5, 7-9 pm

More information

Through our website – <u>www.zuidas.nl</u> – we aim to keep you informed about Zuidasdok and all other developments in the Zuidas. You are also very welcome to visit us at our information desk in the World Trade Centre, Strawinskylaan 59, on weekdays between 9am and 5pm. Via email, we can be contacted at <u>info@zuidas.nl</u> and by telephone, you can reach us at (020) 575 2111.

Yours sincerely, Hans Versteegen Project Director Zuidasdok