



## News from **Councilmember Todd Gloria**

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### **“Pave it Forward” – Mayor Sanders and Councilmember Gloria Showcase Citywide Street Repairs**

*SAN DIEGO, CA (September 23, 2009)* – San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders and City Councilmember Todd Gloria today joined work crews and community members on a City Heights street being repaved as part of the City's renewed investment into its roads. In Fiscal Year 2009, the City increased its street repair budget to \$79.2 million, a jump of almost 400%, to address maintenance needs, improve quality of life and strengthen neighborhood vitality.

**“Smoother roads are ahead for San Diego,”** said Councilmember Gloria. **“Sixty miles of roads in Council District Three will be repaved or overlaid by October 2010, and I know my neighbors welcome these improvements.”**

The news conference took place on Rowan Street in the Fairmount Park community of City Heights. Rowan Street was in ill-repair and cited by residents as one of the roughest local roads. Councilmember Gloria, who represents the area, has fought for infrastructure investment, a priority shared by Mayor Sanders.

**“The City of San Diego is accelerating the pace of street repairs,”** said Mayor Sanders. **“I've made repairing crumbling infrastructure in our communities a top priority because it's a priority for San Diegans.”**

Both Mayor Sanders and Councilmember Gloria confirmed their commitment to strengthening the City's infrastructure while being honest about the amount of funds necessary to complete the large task.

The City's overall deferred maintenance backlog including repairs to roads, public buildings and properties, water and wastewater systems, is estimated to cost approximately \$1 billion. The City's \$103 million infrastructure bond announced by the Mayor in April 2009 is being used to jumpstart several projects. City infrastructure bond funds are being combined with Proposition 1B, Proposition 42 and trenching fees for the street repairs.

For a full list of street and sidewalk repairs currently scheduled in Council District Three, please visit [www.sandiego.gov/cd3/issues/infrastructure](http://www.sandiego.gov/cd3/issues/infrastructure).

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