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## <u>Councilmember Cate, Mayor Gloria, and Councilmember-elect Lee Kick Off Long-</u> <u>Awaited Reconstruction Project for "Worst Street in San Diego"</u>

Project will rebuild badly damaged roads and improve safety, mobility in the Mira Mesa community

**San Diego, CA**: Today Councilmember Chris Cate, Mayor Todd Gloria, Councilmember-elect Kent Lee joined community members to announce the next steps for major reconstruction along Gold Coast Drive, one of the most utilized and damaged thoroughfares in Mira Mesa. In 2021, Councilmember Cate worked with Mayor Gloria to secure \$15 million to fully reconstruct Gold Coast Drive between Parkdale Avenue and Thanksgiving Lane.

"We are here to celebrate the launch of a long-awaited reconstruction project that will benefit the residents along Gold Coast Drive and daily travelers for years to come," **said Councilmember Cate**. "I drive along Gold Coast almost daily and firmly believe it is the worst street in San Diego. As I close out my term on the City Council in the coming weeks, I am immensely grateful and proud to finally fix Gold Coast Drive. This project is a testament to the leadership of this community, and rest assured, I'll be keeping a close eye on its progress."

**Mayor Gloria said**, "Gold Coast Drive and Parkdale Avenue have been a crumbled mess for far too long, and we are finally going to get this done for the residents of Mira Mesa. I am thrilled that we are about to start a major reconstruction project to fix these streets and that we're able to celebrate the project launch before Councilmember Chris Cate, who's been a champion for this work for many years, leaves office in December."

**Councilmember-elect Lee said**, "As we stand at the precipice of seeing real, tangible improvements on Gold Coast Drive, I want to assure the Mira Mesa community and all District 6 residents that I am committed to advocating for you as we work to improve our City's infrastructure."

**Bari Vaz, President of the Mira Mesa Town Council, said**, "Gold Coast Drive has been an issue for many years, but one that could not easily and quickly be resolved. We are happy to see the beginning of this long-awaited community improvement project, and thank Councilmember Cate and Mayor Gloria for working to find the funding to rebuild Gold Coast Drive."

Today, the City will issue the Notice to Proceed (NTP) to Tri-Group Construction & Development, Inc. for Street Reconstruction 1801, which includes Gold Coast Drive between Thanksgiving Lane and Camino Ruiz and Parkdale Avenue between Mira Mesa Boulevard and Northrup Drive and will be completed in four primary phases:

- **Storm Drain System,** including installation of storm drain pipes, cleanouts, and inlets;
- **Concrete Surface Improvements,** such as curb ramps, cross gutters, replacement of damaged sidewalk, and bus pads;
- **Permanent Storm Water Best Management Practices (BMPs)** through the installation of modular wetland systems within project drainage management area;
- and **Pavement Reconstruction** utilizing the full depth reclamation method and slurry seal.

Impacted residents can expect doorhanger notices several days in advance of anticipated construction. Construction is expected to be completed by the end of 2023.

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