

## **Councilman Kersey Tapped to Address the City's Crumbling Infrastructure**

At least \$900 million in repairs to streets, roads, storm drains, and city facilities needed

Monday morning the City Council unanimously approved the creation of a new Council Committee dedicated to addressing the City's crumbling infrastructure. Council President Todd Gloria tapped Councilman Mark Kersey to head the committee.

"The City has a five-year budget outlook, but it has no comprehensive five-year plan to fix the backbone of our city," said Kersey. "We'll streamline regulations that delay the delivery of projects, ask the neighborhoods for their priorities, and create an investment plan that tackles the full scope of our capital project needs."

The Infrastructure Committee is responsible for overseeing the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), which is how the City addresses its infrastructure needs. Councilman Kersey's agenda for the Committee will include review of all existing CIP Council Policies, community hearings on CIP priorities, and ultimately creation of a five-year CIP. Oversight of infrastructure delivery streamlining, infrastructure finance, Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and asset management are also within the purview of the Committee.

The first meeting of the Infrastructure Committee will be held on January 28, 2013. Kersey will release a work plan for the committee in January.

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