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Mayor Gloria to Break Ground for new Fire Station 45 in Mission Valley

SAN DIEGO (January 21, 2014) – Interim San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria will lead the groundbreaking ceremony for Mission Valley’s first permanent fire station on January 23 at 10:30 a.m. The ceremony will take place at Qualcomm Stadium’s employee parking lot, located at the corner of Friars Road and Mission Village Drive.

Mayor Gloria will be joined by Councilmembers Sherman, Kersey and Emerald along with Fire Chief Javier Mainar, Public Works Department Director James Nagelvoort and representatives from the City of San Diego Public Works Department.

“To keep American Finest City’s at its finest, the City is significantly investing to improve its aging infrastructure and its neighborhoods,” said Interim Mayor Gloria. “The new fire station 45 will be the first fire station ever built in the Mission Valley community.”

To provide the Mission Valley community with emergency and rescue services, for the past seven years firefighter crews have used a temporary facility located near the southwest end of Qualcomm Stadium’s parking lot. The new 2-story, 16,290 square foot Fire Station 45 will have 5 bays and 16 dormitory rooms. The project will also install new traffic signals on Friars Road to facilitate the fast exit for the fire apparatus in response to emergencies. In addition, Fire Station 45 will house a new 500-gallon fire engine.

The total project cost is \$11.1 million and well worth the investment to enhance the safety of residents and businesses in the Mission Valley area, while providing the Fire-Rescue Department with the ability to house additional apparatus and firefighters as needed for future generations.

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