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City of San Diego Honors Hundreds of Employees During Engineers Week

FROM ROAD REPAIR TO MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, CITY'S TEAM OF ENGINEERS IS HELPING BUILD A BETTER FUTURE

SAN DIEGO – Today the San Diego City Council proclaimed Feb. 19 to 25 as Engineers Week in San Diego, recognizing the hard work and dedication of hundreds of engineers who are helping maintain and improve critical infrastructure and initiatives to build a better city for all San Diegans.

Engineers Week started back in 1951 by the <u>National Society of Professional Engineers</u> as a way to ensure a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers. It takes place annually during the fourth week in February.

A majority of the City's engineers work in the Engineering and Capital Projects Department, which is responsible for the City's Capital Improvements Program (CIP). Part of Mayor Todd Gloria's "Ready to Rebuild" budget for fiscal year 2023 included \$809 million budget for CIP projects, the largest investment in infrastructure in the City's history.

"Engineers Week is a great way to highlight all of the City staff who work behind the scenes to improve our communities through some of the biggest and most complex infrastructure projects across San Diego," said City Engineer Rania Amen, Director of the Engineering and Capital Projects Department. "No matter the project, large or small, our diverse and specialized team of engineers has one goal in mind and that is making San Diego a better place to live for generations to come."

This year's theme "Creating the Future" is represented in the work the City's engineers do each and every day. Whether it is road repairs and neighborhood park improvements or permitting affordable housing projects and making a more sustainable place to live, engineers have a role in all of the critical infrastructure projects and initiatives that help shape the future of San Diego.

The City of San Diego employs 849 engineers across several departments and is currently <u>recruiting for</u> <u>engineering positions</u>.