



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
Wednesday, June 1, 2016

CONTACT: Craig Gustafson at (619) 453-9880 or [cgustafson@sandiego.gov](mailto:cgustafson@sandiego.gov)

# **City Surpasses 250 Miles of Street Repair This Year on the Road to Fixing 1,000 Miles of Streets over Five Years**

## **San Diego's Road Repair Goal Ahead of Schedule**

San Diego – On the road to fulfilling the goal of fixing 1,000 miles of streets over five years, Mayor Kevin L. Faulconer was joined by City Councilmember Mark Kersey and community leaders today at a freshly paved street in the Encanto neighborhood to mark the City surpassing 250 miles of road repairs in just 11 months – a modern day record for San Diego that puts the City ahead of schedule to meet the road repair goal.

The City is on pace to fix more than 300 miles before the end of the current fiscal year on June 30, putting the City more than a quarter of the way to Mayor Faulconer's 1000-mile goal in just the first year. City crews began the work last July at the start of the current fiscal year.

"The record levels of investment we are making in road repair have put us ahead of schedule, and we're going to keep working to bring these street upgrades to neighborhoods across our city," Mayor Faulconer said. "Working together with the City Council, our neighborhood investments are paying off, especially in communities that hadn't received the attention they rightfully deserved and the investments they required.

“And with the budget proposal I’ve made to the Council to nearly triple 2017 road repair funding compared to just three years ago, we have no signs of slowing down.”

Mayor Faulconer and the City and community leaders held the news conference at the intersection of 60th Street and Akins Avenue in Encanto, a southeastern San Diego neighborhood that had several streets paved a couple weeks ago. That was roughly around the time the City surpassed 250 miles of road repair, a total that now stands at 261 miles and counting for this fiscal year.

Mayor Faulconer has proposed \$109 million in funding for street repair in his proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget – an amount equivalent to fixing 380 miles of road. That’s nearly triple the amount of road repair funding compared to when Faulconer took office in 2014.

“Repairing our streets continues to be a top budget priority because it is a top priority for all San Diegans,” said Councilmember Kersey, Chair of the Council’s Infrastructure Committee. “As routine maintenance becomes the norm, there will be fewer potholes and we’ll be able to complete repairs more efficiently and effectively.”

When the City reaches 1,000 miles of road repairs, crews will have upgraded more than one-third of the City’s entire street network.

###