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### **Public Works Agency**

#### **MEDIA ADVISORY PHOTO/VIDEO OPPORTUNITY**

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#### **CITY OFFICIALS PITCH IN TO CELEBRATE PUBLIC WORKS WEEK**

*Oakland leaders get down and dirty as 'honorary PWA employees'*

Public Works crews will have a few extra, and very familiar, crewmembers tomorrow as city leaders get outside their usual offices in City Hall, roll up their sleeves, and see what it is like to fill a pot hole, help repair a sidewalk and clean up some illegal dumping.

As honorary workers for a day, these City leaders are pitching in to celebrate Public Works week and help support the City's goal of cleaning and improving our assets. City Attorney John Russo will assist a sidewalk repair crew, Councilmember Desley Brooks and City Administrator Deborah Edgerly will be filling potholes, while Councilmember Jean Quan and her staff and staff from Councilmember Nadel's Office will be picking up illegal dumping.

"The Public Works Agency is honored to have the participation of so many of our City leaders. Today they join us in celebrating National Public Works week and help draw attention to the hundreds of unsung heroes who quietly go about maintaining our infrastructure", said Raul Godinez, Director of the Public Works Agency.

Public Works Week is May 17 to the 21<sup>st</sup>. The theme this year is ***24/7 Focused on our Community***. This nationally recognized event is a way to honor and thank the many employees of the Public Works Agency whose work product goes virtually unnoticed until it is broken or needs repair.

**WHO:**

**City Attorney John Russo**  
**Councilmember Desley Brooks**  
**Councilmember Jean Quan**  
**Staff from Councilmember Nadel's Office**  
**City Administrator Deborah Edgerly**  
**Assistant City Administrator Cheryl Thompson**  
**Public Works Director Raul Godinez II**  
**Others to be announced**

**WHAT:**

**Photo op: Local Officials rolling up their sleeves celebrating Public Works Week**

**WHEN/WHERE:**

**Tomorrow, Tuesday, May 18**  
**Sidewalk repair, 9:30 AM at 348 63<sup>rd</sup> Street**  
**Street Repair, 10:00 AM on Redwood Road below Skyline**

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