

# STREET TALK



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## From Student Worker to Superintendent

In support of Mayor Eric Garcetti's Executive Directive 11: Gender Equity in City Operations, the Bureau of Street Services continues its efforts in equalizing gender representation at all levels. Recently, the Bureau appointed Ms. Aida Valencia to the position of Street Services Superintendent. Entering the Bureau as a student worker approximately 25 years ago, Aida has consistently promoted and will now oversee Resurfacing and Reconstruction Operations. The Bureau is proud to announce Ms.



Valencia's appointment knowing that she will be successful in this new role.

## Plaza Project Celebration

In collaboration with the community, North Area Neighborhood Development Council and students from USC's School of Architecture, Councilman Gilbert Cedillo broke ground for the Hoover Union Triangle Project on September 8th. The Bureau joined in the groundbreaking ceremony and revealed plans to transform the triangle of land bordered by Hoover Street, 23rd Street and South Union Avenue. The project includes improved pedestrian lighting, street furniture, drought-tolerant landscaping, new sidewalks and curb ramps, colored-concrete paving and more. Expected to be completed by July 2017, the Bureau will provide a safer, improved public space for local residents and students to gather.



## The Bureau Helps Ensure Safe Routes to LA Transit Stations



With a groundbreaking ceremony on September 8th, Councilman Mike Bonin and the Bureau celebrated the start of the Expo Line Bundy Station Project. Funded by the Active Transportation Program, the City will establish both bicycle and pedestrian friendly routes to the Expo Line Bundy station. The project will include 24 curb extensions, 58 access ramps, 2 median islands, 77 bike racks, 188 trees, new street furniture, improved sidewalks and increased pedestrian lighting. Anticipated to be completed by the end of 2017, these enhancements will calm traffic and ensure safety to improve the quality of life for Angelenos.

## Emergency Response Excellence

Did you know that the Bureau of Street Services has a vital role in emergency response? From roadway hazards to tree emergencies, the Bureau responds quickly and effectively. On Wednesday, September 7th at Western Avenue between Century Boulevard and 103rd Street, a water main broke and flooded the street. Under the leadership of Councilman Marqueece Harris-Dawson, the Department of Water and Power and the Bureau worked together to fix the damaged section of water line and repave the road, respectively. Repaired in record time, the area reopened the next day allowing commuters in South LA to drive without disruption.



## Los Angeles Welcomes the Rams

After 21 years, football is back in Los Angeles with the Rams. In preparation for each home game, the Bureau of Street Services coordinates the special event permit for the day and provides street sweeping services. When over 90,000 fans are cheering on their team on Sundays, the Bureau's Investigators are present to ensure the public's safety. Throughout the event, Investigators enforce laws related to the public right-of-way, including prevention of illegal encroachments and illegal vending. The Bureau's Investigators are vital to the success of each game at the LA Coliseum as they keep the streets clean and safe.



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