STREET TALK May 31, 2017



Leading The Way Forward

Eric Garcetti Mayor



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Mexicali & The Bureau Team Up

On May 26th, the Mayor of Mexicali welcomed the BSS director to discuss common public works challenges and solutions. The meeting focused on sustainability, street tree conservation, street conditions and the use of the public right of way. The visit offered a unique chance to learn from each cities' best practices. The BSS Director will continue interacting with his counterpart in Mexicali to ensure innovative solu-



tions to common problems are discussed and shared. The meeting ended with an exchange of City pins as tokens of good faith.

National Public Works Week 2017



Mayor Eric Garcetti awarded the Board of Public Works with a certificate in honor of National Public Works Week. This recognition celebrates all the depart-

ment's achievements, progress, and goals. The Mayor highlighted the challenging yet vital services we offer to residents. Our Bureau's dedication to repairing city streets, filling potholes and improving basic city services in a timely and efficient manner is an integral part of the City's direct interaction with residents.

Pick Pico Street Fair

On May 20th, Councilmember Paul Koretz and the Westside Neighborhood Council hosted the annual Pick Pico Street Fair in Council District 5. Over 100 local businesses, services, nonprofits, games, and food stands were set up for guests to enjoy. Attendees enjoyed music, Zumba, and spending a day celebrating the Westside neighborhood. The



Investigations and Enforcement division staffed a booth where they provided Bureau information and giveaways to educate and connect with the community.

Cool Pavement Pilot Project

Temperatures in Southern California are rising as a result of climate change. Thanks to Councilmember Blumenfield's leadership and support, the Bureau will be fighting even harder against global warming with the cool pavement pilot project. The project involves applying a light gray coating onto the pavement that absorbs less heat than its darker asphalt counterpart. On May 20th, Jordan Ave. in Council District 3 was the first of its kind in California to test the cool seal on a public street. Results from this preliminary testing have shown the coating re-

ducing temperatures +10 degrees. The goal of these efforts are reducing the risk of heat-related deaths, to save energy by reducing air conditioning, and replicate these results in each council districts designated streets.





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