



Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

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TO: Mayor and Commissioners
FROM: Missie Barletto, Public Works Director
THROUGH: Terrence Moore, ICMA-CM
DATE: May 6, 2025

PUBLIC WORKS WEEK PROCLAMATION

Recommended Action:

Motion to proclaim the week of May 18 to May 24 as Public Works Week.

Background:

Public Works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to the health, high quality of life and well-being of the residents of the City of Delray Beach. Across the nation and here at home, these infrastructure improvements, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of Public Works Professionals at all levels of government and the private sectors. These engineers, managers, maintenance workers and the like, are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation's transportation, water supply, water treatment and stormwater management systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for citizen.

It is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in the City of Delray Beach to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities. The year 2025 marks the 65th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association. This year's theme "People, Purpose, Presence" reflects three (3) cornerstone ideals that motivate public works professionals to serve in their communities every day.

"Meeting the needs of people is what gives public works its sense of purpose. Many times, public works professionals will never meet those whose lives have been impacted because when things are going right, no one knows that public works is there. Yet, with or without fanfare, public works is ever present, working in the background to advance quality of life for all."