

CITY OF COOS BAY CITY COUNCIL
Agenda Staff Report

MEETING DATE May 20, 2014	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
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TO: Mayor Shoji and City Councilors
FROM: Jim Hossley, Public Works Director
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Through: Rodger Craddock, City Manager
ISSUE Proclamation for National Public Works Week

BACKGROUND

National Public Works Week is observed each year during the third week of May. The week of May 18-24, 2014, which has been designated Public Works Week, has as its theme "Building for today, planning for tomorrow" recognizes that what we do today is vital to a sustainable and vibrant tomorrow. Public Works plays a key role in the planning, building, and maintenance of infrastructure projects in their communities that will allow future generations to enjoy a higher quality of life. This annual observation was established by President John F. Kennedy in 1960 to increase awareness of the contribution of Public Works to communities all over the United States.

The City of Coos Bay will have a booth at the Farmers Market on Wednesday May 21st. This will be the third consecutive year that the City will support National Public Works Week by providing information to the community on new projects and items that the City are working on. In a cooperative effort to work with our neighboring City, the City of North Bend will be joining us this year.

ADVANTAGES

Through National Public Works Week and other efforts, American Public Works Association seeks to raise the public's awareness of public works issues and to increase confidence in public works employees who are dedicated to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.

DISADVANTAGES

Staff sees no disadvantages.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

N/A

RELATED CITY GOAL

"To maintain and improve the City's physical infrastructure and provide quality services for current and future citizens"; and "Educate citizens on the roles and activities of City government and Urban renewal".

ACTION REQUESTED

We respectfully request that the attached proclamation for National Public Works Week be approved by the City Council.



Proclamation

WHEREAS, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our citizens' everyday lives; and

WHEREAS, the support of an understanding and informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as storm water, sewers, parks, streets, public buildings, and other public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, well-being, and comfort of this community greatly depends on these facilities and services; and

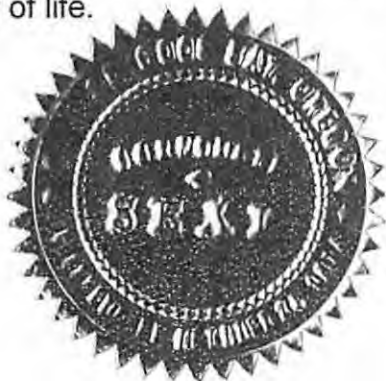
WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these facilities, as well as their planning, design, and construction is vitally dependent upon the efforts, ethics, and skill of public works officials; and

WHEREAS, the efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works department is materially influenced by the people's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS PROCLAIMED, I, Crystal Shoji, Mayor of Coos Bay do hereby proclaim the week of May 18-24, 2014 to be:

National Public Works Week

in the City of Coos Bay, and call upon all citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works and to recognize the contributions which public works officials make every day to our health, safety, comfort, and quality of life.



In witness thereof, I hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Coos Bay to be affixed on this 20th day of May 2014.

Crystal Shoji, Mayor