

DENVER CITY COUNCIL



Proclamation No. 25-0752

DESIGNATING MAY 18 THROUGH MAY 24 AS "PUBLIC WORKS WEEK IN DENVER" AND CONGRATULATING THE DENVER DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE’S EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR FOR 2024

**WHEREAS**, in celebrating the American Public Works Association’s 2025 theme of “People, Places, and Presence”, we recognize the employees of Denver’s Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DOTI) as “ever-present” in our communities, improving safety, mobility, infrastructure, and quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the department seeks continuous improvement and to implement innovations that deliver work effectively and equitably and is celebrating that its Solid Waste and Wastewater Management divisions have been officially accredited by the American Public Works Association, celebrating their alignment with industry best practices; and

**WHEREAS**, the APWA specifically recognized DOTI for model practices around community participation and engagement, waste education, and its safety recognition program; and

**WHEREAS**, safety is the cornerstone of all the programs, services and initiatives that DOTI delivers and the department is working to make travel in our city safer with treatments that slow vehicle speeds and protect vulnerable roadway users; and

**WHEREAS**, the department works to keep the city’s infrastructure in a state of good repair, including streets, bridges, traffic signals and signage, and enhances Denver’s air and water quality through street sweeping and the installation of green infrastructure, and improves stormwater infrastructure to reduce flood risks and protect life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, the department is making the city more vibrant, overseeing the delivery of dozens of voter-approved bond projects, the renovation of the 16th Street Mall, the implementation of Bus Rapid Transit on East Colfax Avenue, and the city’s new Sidewalk Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council specifically recognizes and congratulates the DOTI Employees of the Year for 2024 for their achievements:

MATT MACLACHLAN	Transportation Business Unit
MATT FARISS	Citywide Infrastructure Delivery
COLLEEN JUHL	Office of the Chief Operating Officer
BRET GUDERIAN	Program and Procurement Management
EDITH LUTALO-POPOOLA	Accounting Services
NHAN “NATE” NGUYEN	Fleet Management
CHRIS BISHOP	Right-of-Way Enforcement
CHRIS BACA	Right of Way Services
KAYLA GILBERT	Office of Internal and External Affairs
CARLOS “JAY” GARZA-VIGIL	Solid Waste Management
DIEGO AYALA AGUILERA	Street Maintenance
PAUL DREHER	Transportation Operations
DYLAN ROSS	Water Services

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE DENVER CITY COUNCIL:

**Section 1.** That the Council designates the week of May 18 through May 24, 2025, as "Public Works Week in Denver" and congratulates DOTI’s "2024 Employees of the Year" for their outstanding contributions to the Department and City.

**Section 2.** That the Clerk and Recorder of the City and County of Denver shall affix the seal of the City and County of Denver to this proclamation and that copies hereof be forwarded to Denver Public Works and the thirteen employees listed above.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL May 19, 2025

PRESIDENT