

Consent Agenda

Agenda Item #	5B
Meeting Date	May 12, 2008
Prepared By	Daryl Braithwaite Public Works Director
Approved By	Barbara B. Matthews City Manager

Discussion Item	Resolution Recognizing National Public Works Week, May 18-24, 2008
Background	In 1960, the American Public Works Association established an annual public works recognition week to call attention to the importance of public works in community life. The week is celebrated each year during the third week of May. This year's theme is "Public Works: The Future is Now." The purpose of the observance is to raise awareness of public works issues and to increase the public's confidence in public works employees who are dedicated to improving the quality of life for present and future generations.
Policy	The Council may adopt resolutions recognizing individuals, groups, events, and activities that benefit the Takoma Park community.
Fiscal Impact	None
Attachments	Draft Resolution
Recommendation	Approve the Resolution
Special Consideration	

Introduced by:

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

**Resolution 2008-
Recognizing National Public Works Week, May 18-24, 2008**

WHEREAS, public works services provided in our community are an integral part of our residents' 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 solid waste collection, recycling, street and right-of-way maintenance, stormwater management, playground safety, leaf collection, protection of the urban tree canopy, maintenance of city gardens, facility maintenance and repair of city equipment; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, comfort and quality of life of this community greatly depends upon these services; and

WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these programs, as well as their planning, design and implementation, is vitally dependent upon the efforts and skill of public works employees; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT the week of May 18-24, 2008 is hereby recognized as Public Works Week in the City of Takoma Park, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Council thanks all Public Works Department employees for their dedicated service to the City; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Takoma Park residents and community organizations are encouraged to acquaint themselves with the services provided by our Public Works Department and recognize the contributions which public works employees make every day to the environment and to the health, safety, comfort, and quality of life in our City.

Adopted this _____ day of May, 2008.

Attest:

Jessie Carpenter, CMC
City Clerk