

**Agenda Item:** 1.b

**Meeting Date:** May 5, 2026

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** City Commission

**Through:** Jennifer K. Bramley, City Manager

**From:** Sue Bartlett

**Date:** 2026-04-20

**Subject:** Recognition of the 2026 National Public Works Week

**Presenter(s):** Suzanne "Sue" Bartlett, Director of Public Works; Clayton "Clay" T. Watkins, P.E., Director of Utilities & Engineering; and Jorge M. Quintas, P.E., Deputy City Manager

**Staff Recommendation:** Commission to present a proclamation acknowledging National Public Works Week in the City of Dunedin, which is recognized nationally during the week of May 17-23, 2026.

**Strategic Themes:** Good Governance

**Boards & Committees:** N / A

**Budget Impact:** N / A

**Past Action:** Previous years proclamations.

**Next Action:** Commission acknowledgement of City personnel involved in day-to-day public works projects and tasks.

**Attachments:** [A. National Public Works Week Proclamation \(2026\) - City of Dunedin.pdf](#)

**Background:** The City Commission has recognized National Public Works Week (NPWW) annually. NPWW is acknowledged nationally during the week of May 17-23, 2026.

This year's theme: "Rooted in Service, Powered by Community" acknowledges that the roots of service run deep in public works. It's what has propelled public works innovations that have helped our communities evolve into places where people can lead lives of purpose and possibility. Some work, like building roads and bridges, is highly visible, while other public works contributions like maintaining water, stormwater, and sanitary sewer systems are sometimes hidden from view.

Together, these efforts form the foundation of thriving communities, reminding us that every project, seen or unseen, powers the connection between service and the people it supports.

To ensure the many City employees involved in the preservation, operation, and maintenance of our public infrastructure are acknowledged and thanked for their daily efforts, we are providing this proclamation to the Commission. We urge everyone to take the opportunity to recognize and support those who proudly serve our citizens and visitors, often quietly behind the scenes.