

## ***MEMORANDUM***

**DATE:** May 6, 2025  
**TO:** Melissa R. Marsh, City Manager  
**FROM:** Sean P. Ballantine, Director of Public Services  
**SUBJECT:** 2025 National Public Works Week

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Annually, the month of May sees National Public Works Week declared and recognized by municipalities and civic organizations throughout the United States and Canada. Submitted for Council's consideration is a proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24 as National Public Works Week in Madison Heights.

The American Public Works Association (APWA), the sponsor of National Public Works Week, presents a new theme every year which is graphically depicted in the annual poster, and embodies the many responsibilities of our public works professionals. This year's theme, "People, Purpose, Presence," highlights three cornerstone ideals that motivate public works professionals to serve in their communities every day. Explained further: *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*

Staff respectfully requests that Council adopt the following proclamation declaring the week of May 18-24, 2025 as National Public Works Week in the City of Madison Heights, and encourage our residents, visitors, and City staff to acquaint themselves with, and pay tribute to our dedicated public works professionals in Madison Heights, and the work that they do for the benefit of the public.

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