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Intersections Matter in Council District 14: Alhambra Avenue Project

On January 13th, Councilmember Jose Huizar in partnership with the Bureaus of Street Services, Engineering, Street Lighting, and the Department of Transportation, hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to commence the Alhambra Avenue Project in Council District 14. The project includes the installation of a new traffic signal at the intersection of Alhambra Avenue and Lowell Avenue. Our Design-Build Division was tasked to design and construct the pedestrian access improvements that will link the easterly border of our great city to the new signalized intersection. El Sereno community members were thrilled to hear the details of the project.



Median Islands Make Communities More Vibrant

There are over 10 million square feet of landscaped median islands throughout the City of Los Angeles; that is the equivalent to the area covered by approximately 200 football fields! Landscaped medians add value to our neighborhoods and have a positive psychological effect on humans and animals.



Moreover, they improve traffic safety and beautify our public right of way. Similar to our street trees, landscaped medians are a highly visual component of our living infrastructure and they require our undivided attention and care. BSS' Urban Forestry Division ensures that they are properly preserved and maintained since they are an important component of the City's Sustainability Plan.

Two Heads are Better than One: Two New Chief Investigators

Our Investigation and Enforcement Division (IED) recently appointed two new Assistant Division Managers, Chief Elvin Galindo and Chief David Rivera. BSS has subdivided the City into twenty four enforcement districts and our primary role is to investigate and respond to quality of life issues that pertain to the use of the public right of way. Chiefs Galindo and Rivera will oversee all twenty four district operations as well as service requests, special events, commercial vehicle enforcement, illegal dumping enforcement, and other important tasks. Chiefs Galindo and Rivera personify the spirit and commitment of the Bureau to provide quality street services in a timely and efficient manner.



Bike Lane Repair Program

Thanks to new transportation funding including Measure M Local Return, BSS has launched a new Bike Lane Repair Program. One of the first locations that received repairs was Mission Road in Lincoln Heights. Over the course of several weekends, BSS crews repaved multiple sections of the ten foot wide bike lane in Council Districts 1 and 14.



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