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City of San Diego Repairs Major Road Thoroughfares in Kearny Mesa

PAVING ON BALBOA TO START MONDAY NIGHT FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENTS ON CONVOY STREET AND CLAIREMONT MESA BOULEVARD

SAN DIEGO — As part of a series of road repair projects recently completed and currently underway in the Kearny Mesa area, long-awaited repaving is expected to begin Monday, July 29, on Balboa Avenue from Kearny Villa Road west to Genesee Avenue.

Work on Balboa Avenue follows the completion of an asphalt overlay project on Convoy Street and <u>recent</u> <u>repaving on Clairemont Mesa Boulevard</u>.

Balboa, Clairemont Mesa and Convoy are part of Mayor Todd Gloria's "Sexy Streets" initiative and key elements of the Kearny Mesa Community Plan which aims to increase housing availability and transportation options for San Diegans through this busy corridor with improved sidewalks, bicycle lanes, transit connections and ridesharing infrastructure.

"I launched my 'Sexy Streets' initiative to improve more than 50 miles of the busiest and longestneglected roads across the city," said Mayor Gloria. "By investing in main thoroughfares like Balboa Avenue, Convoy Street and Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, we're not just fixing roads; we're enhancing the quality of life, improving connectivity, and supporting economic vitality in our communities. These projects are a testament to our commitment to ensuring every neighborhood across San Diego gets the quality infrastructure it deserves."

Mayor Gloria's "Protecting Our Progress" budget for fiscal year 2025 provides a record level of investment in road repair. The FY25 budget allocates \$104.7 million for overlay reconstruction projects and \$35.3 million for slurry seal, which will fund approximately 225 miles of road repair combined.

Asphalt overlay on Convoy Street from Kearny Mesa Road to State Route 52 began in September 2023 -- following a water and wastewater pipe replacement project -- and the work was completed last month along with the repaving of Dagget Street.

In 2020, Convoy was designated as the Convoy Pan Asian Cultural and Business Innovation District and new freeway signs were added to direct commuters to the area. Visitors to the many restaurants and businesses on Convoy can now enjoy safe, smooth streets along this popular thoroughfare.

Last month, asphalt overlay crews wrapped up work on a 1.2-mile segment of Clairemont Mesa Boulevard from Shawline Street to Kearny Mesa Road. The work was part of Mayor Gloria's Sexy Streets initiative to address the high concentration of large potholes throughout this busy corridor.

Repaving on Balboa Avenue is expected to take four weeks, consisting of two weeks of night work then two weeks of day work, and will be followed by lane striping. In 2023, sections of this busy roadway received scores ranging from poor to failed as part of the City's Pavement Condition Assessment. Asphalt overlay is a more costly and intensive type of road repair that is used on badly deteriorated streets.

Roads in San Diego are selected for repair based on several factors including their score on the Pavement Condition Index (PCI). Other factors include traffic volume, mobility and transit connections, maintenance history, other construction projects and available funding. Residents can view the PCI scores for their neighborhood streets and maps of planned street repair by visiting <u>StreetsSD</u>.

The City's <u>Pavement Management Plan</u> relies on the 2023 Pavement Condition Assessment and summarizes current street conditions in San Diego, while also identifying the funding needs to improve the overall street network.

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