



Proclamation



PUBLIC WORKS WEEK 2022

WHEREAS, this year marks the 62nd annual observance of National Public Works Week; and the theme of this year's observance is "Ready and Resilient," highlighting the ability of public works professionals to perform regular public works duties and react as first responders during natural disasters and overcome trials in the field; and

WHEREAS, Carrboro Public Works makes important contributions to the community's well-being by providing reliable solid waste collection; loose leaf collection; street, greenway, and right-of-way maintenance; snow removal; stormwater facility maintenance; mowing and landscaping of Town properties; tree trimming and removal; ball field preparation and maintenance; facility maintenance; vehicle and equipment maintenance; cemetery maintenance and burials; and more; and

WHEREAS, these services could not be provided without the department's 35 dedicated employees, half of whom joined the Town in the last five years, 10 of whom have reached up to 15 years of service, 4 of whom have reached up to 25 years of service, and another 4 of whom have achieved more than 25 years of service; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of Carrboro Public Works in the past year include implementing a new bimonthly bulk item collection route to improve customer service and efficiency; completing sidewalk repairs, including ADA-accessible pedestrian improvements; completing the asphalt paving of Roberts Street; relocating the leaf compost program to the Town's property on Old NC 86 and composting 5,730 cubic yards of loose leaves on-site; facilitating the Town's recertification as a Tree City USA for its 36th year; updating roadway regulatory signs to federal standards with high reflectivity for better visibility; providing planning, administration, and oversight of the Town's capital improvement projects; maintaining more than 62,500 square feet of building space and 47 miles of roadway; and providing preventive maintenance and repairs to 98 Town-owned vehicles and 19 pieces of equipment; and

WHEREAS, in the most recent biennial community survey, Carrboro Public Works earned residents' highest ratings of satisfaction, with 91% of residents indicating they were satisfied or very satisfied with the department's services; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Public Works employees have continued to perform the essential services that enable the Town to function;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Damon Seils, mayor of the Town of Carrboro, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the week of May 15th through May 21st, 2022, to be Public Works Week in Carrboro. I encourage all residents to thank and celebrate the Town's public works employees and to recognize the importance of public works professionals and public works programs for protecting our health, safety, and quality of life and making Carrboro a great place to live.

This the 10th day of May, 2022.



Damon Seils, Mayor