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**MAYOR JIM HAHN AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO AIR
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL VIDEO ON THE CITY'S CHANNEL 35**

LOS ANGELES (July 31, 2002)---The City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, in conjunction with the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (D.O.N.E.), will air "Getting Things Done," on the City's Channel 35 beginning August 5. The show will air every Monday through Friday at 5:50 p.m.

"Neighborhood Councils are taking off in Los Angeles," said Mayor Hahn. "We have already certified 39 Neighborhood Councils, and we hope to have many more before the end of the year. This video helps explain the process, as well as the rewards, of establishing a Neighborhood Council."

The 10-minute video informs residents about the process of Neighborhood Council certification, as well as the importance of the Councils. It features interviews with members of Neighborhood Councils that have already been certified, as well as those awaiting certification. The staff of D.O.N.E. is also depicted in their Downtown location providing assistance to local residents regarding boundary and population issues.

"Since the Department is intricately tied-in to Neighborhood Councils, I want to encourage residents and Public Works staff to view the video to increase their appreciation and understanding of this new step in City democracy," said Board of Public Works President Valerie Lynne Shaw.

The Department of Public Works is responsible for the construction, renovation, and operation of public facilities and infrastructure, including curbside collection, graffiti removal, maintenance of sidewalks, streets, bridges, sewers, and streetlights, management of wastewater treatment plants, and building design.

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