



Clark finished; Voelcker begins

District 3 City Councilwoman Jennifer Ramos joined CIMS staff and community leaders in celebrating the completion of the Clark Avenue reconstruction project.

A ribbon-cutting (photo below) included Ruben Guerrero, P.E., CIMS Capital Program Manager; Terrell McCombs, chairman of the Citizens Bond Oversight Commission; and Bexar County Commissioner Tommy Adkisson.

The \$3.7 million work, a federally funded (Local Agency Managed) project, reconstructed Clark from Fair Avenue to Southcross. Civil Engineering Consultants served on this project and Valemás Inc. was the contractor.

Construction included underground gas, sewer and water utility replacements; overhead electric, cable and telecommunications utility replacements; underground drainage systems; curbs, sidewalks, driveway approaches and retaining walls; pavement replacement with four driving and bike lanes, and middle turn lane.



Across town, ground was broken on the Voelcker Park project (photo above). City Manager Sheryl Sculley, District 9 Councilman Louis Rowe, District 8 Councilwoman Diane Cibrian, Mayor Phil Hardberger, and Bonnie Conner, Voelcker Park Conservancy president, took part in the ceremonial shovel-turning.

Phase 1A includes 1.5 miles of trail expected to open later this year on the 107-acre tract north of Wurzbach Parkway. Other elements include vehicular access off Blanco Road, parking, plantings, picnic facilities, drinking fountains, initiation of an open playfield and oak savanna restoration.

This phase is expected to cost \$2.3 million funded from 2007-2012 Park Bonds and Certificates of Obligation.

Phase 1B is funded partly by a Texas Parks & Wildlife Grant and follows Phase 1A. Elements include the Salado Creek Outdoor Classroom Pavilion, interpretation and trailhead, Salado Creek Greenway trail connection, and Salado Creek overlook on the northern tract. On the southern 204 acres, improvements include a Northwest Military Highway access point, park road, parking, loop trail, multi-purpose play field, and 2.7-acre oak savanna restoration.

Stephen Stimson and Associates is the consultant.

From the Director's Chair

By Mike Frisbie, P.E., City Engineer

The month of springing forward and of things around us blooming to life is here. March is when we, in San Antonio, usually say "Good-bye" to winter and "Hello" to warmer weather.



As the saying goes, "In like a lion, out like a lamb."

CIMS is not just springing forward. We are jumping ahead at a quick pace to deliver the 2007-2012 Bond Program and Capital Improvement projects on time and on budget.

It is true we lose one hour of sleep when Daylight Saving Time begins this month, but I see this as

moving one hour closer to our goals. Like the budding trees of spring, CIMS is popping with activity.

We currently have 17 projects in construction. These include roads and drainage, libraries, parks, and health and community centers.

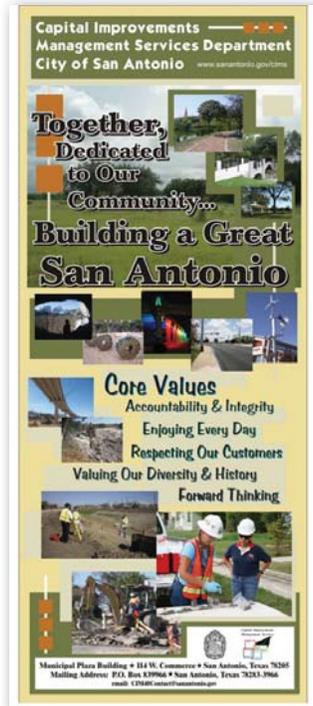
In the last couple of weeks, City Council approved an ordinance awarding a \$10.6 million contract for the Octavia #63 Phase II Part C Project.

A ground-breaking ceremony with Councilwoman Lourdes

Galvan is planned.

Octavia provides for reconstruction of streets, with new underground drainage systems, curbs, sidewalks and driveway approaches in the area bound by South Flores, Hart Avenue, Weinberg, Chalmers Avenue, Interstate 35 South, and Gladstone Street/Tommins Avenue.

Add all this activity to the 95 projects in design, and you have the makings of a busy spring season and rest of 2009. Spring is when new plants grow and sprout forth. Here's hoping we all blossom full of life and energy, ready to make the world around us better.



New banner

If you want to borrow a CIMS banner for a presentation, contact Public Relations Manager **Roland Martinez** at 207-1011.

Let's see who has a birthday in March

Happy birthday to CIMS employees born in March:

Perry Fulks, Technical Services (8th); **Marta Luitin-Atkin**, Technical Services (8th); **Annie Menchaca**, Contract Services (8th); **Roberto Hernandez**, Technical Services (13th); **Kevin Sadler**, Real Estate (14th).

Roger Carrillo, Vertical (18th); **Dale Lange**, Vertical

(19th); **Peter Herrera**, Technical Services (20th); **Robert Blanco**, Technical Services (21st); **Carlos (Tom) Gonzalez**, Environmental Management (24th).

Jimmy LeFlore, Public Art (24th); **Aurora Garza**, Real Estate (26th); **Ralph Martinez**, Technical Services (28th); **Cynthia Story**, Technical Services (28th); **Marcia Shelf-Orlandi**, Real Estate (29th).



A sea of red

CIMS employees are matching Feb. 6 for National Wear Red Day to show their support for women's heart disease awareness. The effort is part of *The Heart Truth* national campaign.

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