Carole Jean Dick to Retire From DWP After 38 Years



arole Jean Dick, who ends her 38-year City career at the DWP, is retiring.

She started her City career at the LAPD in 1966 as a computer operator. She then worked in the Data Service Bureau, and then was promoted to the DWP in 1981 as a document technician.

She enjoys a number of hobbies, including traveling, running (she has run in 11 marathons), painting (watercolors), singing (was a member of the DWP's Choraliers), a variety of outdoor activities (gardening, going to the mountains and the beach) and some indoor ones, too (crocheting and others).

Her longtime friends wish her the best, as does the Club. Congratulations, Carole. Enjoy your retirement!

Jim Washington Retires After 33 Years of Service



Tames E. Washington, chief street use inspector II, has retired after 33 years of service.

Jim served in Public Works as a division head; Transportation as a senior transportation investigator; and Animal Services as a staff assistant to the general manager. He received numerous commendations, most notably the Certificate of Commendation from the Street Use Inspection Division staff.

He received his Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Science degrees from Cal State Northridge, and a POST certificate from the L.A. County Sheriff Academy.

He is a past vice president of the Los Angeles Professional Managers' Association, a member of the Black Engineers and Architects Association, and one of the youngest members appointed as a Catholic Big Brother.

Jim has three daughters: Jaimene, Tabitha and Stacey.

"I wish all City employees well, and I'm sure our paths will cross again," he says. "Whatever modicum of success I may have achieved is due in part to my great co-workers. Thanks!"

The Club congratulates Jim Washington and wishes him a great retirement!

City Hall to Create a New Office of Immigrant Affairs

■ More than 42 percent of City population was born outside United States.

Mayor Jim Hahn and City Councilmember Eric Garcetti announced plans March 2 to create the Mayor's Office of Immigrant

Affairs. The Los Angeles City Council was scheduled to vote on a motion sponsored by Councilmember Garcetti to approve the creation of the office during today's council session.

"A key priority of my administration is to improve the quality of life for all residents of Los Angeles," Hahn said. "Recent immigrants frequently need extra help to become integrated into civic life, and the Office of Immigrant Affairs will act as a clearinghouse to provide referrals to services that the city provides."

"Los Angeles is a city fueled by immigrants' dreams and visions," Garcetti added. "The time is now to dedicate a branch of our city government to welcoming immigrants to our city, much as Chicago, New York and Houston have already."

The intent of the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs is to advance and advocate

for the full and active civic, social, political and economic participation of immigrants and refugees in the City. The role of this office is to be involved in policies and issues affecting Los Angeles' immigrant and refugee stakeholders, and to facilitate their access to city services, benefits and opportunities.

"This office represents a new and vital opportunity for the City of Los Angeles to enter the new

> century by acknowledging the contributions and responding to the needs of all immigrant communities," said Angelica Salas, executive director of the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of LA (CHIRLA).

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, more than 42 percent of Los Angeles residents were born in other countries. By establishing an office that focuses on the needs of immigrants, Los Angeles follows

the lead of other major cities across the nation, including New York, San Francisco, Houston, Chicago and Boston.

The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs will be housed within Mayor Hahn's office. It will be funded for the first year with \$125,000 of pre-1995 federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds and absorbed by the Mayor's office in subsequent years at no additional cost to the City.

