

## **Aventura, FL Achieves APWA Accreditation Status**

**KANSAS CITY, MO. – January 28, 2019** – The City of Aventura Public Works and Transportation Department has been awarded on December 18, 2018 the prestigious American Public Works Association (APWA) Accreditation designation. The APWA Accreditation program recognizes public works agencies that go beyond the requirements of the management practices established nationally in the public works industry, as contained in the APWA *Public Works Management Practices Manual*. Aventura initially applied for Accreditation in September 2017.

The City of Aventura Public Works and Transportation Department will receive the Accreditation award from APWA Region IV Director Doug Layton at a presentation ceremony during the Commission meeting on March 12, 2019 at 6 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Aventura Government Center, 19200 West Country Club Drive, Aventura, FL 33180.

The Accreditation of Aventura’s Public Works and Transportation Department indicates the department met all applicable Accreditation documentation and practices over time. In a statement from Director Joseph S. Kroll, “The awarding of the APWA Accreditation shows we have dedicated ourselves to continuous improvement and excellence. We are extremely proud to receive this honor. The heroes of this prestigious APWA award are the Public Works/Transportation staff whose mission is to provide services and programs that contribute to making Aventura a great place to live and work.”

The City of Aventura Public Works and Transportation Department becomes the 152<sup>nd</sup> agency in North America to be awarded Accreditation, and the 14<sup>th</sup> agency in the State of Florida. In addition to Aventura, the accredited agencies in Florida include Port St. Lucie, Hillsborough County, Miami, Gainesville, Largo, Okaloosa County, North Port, Wellington, Sumter County, Lakeland, Fort Myers, Coral Springs, and Pinellas County.

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### **About APWA**

*The American Public Works Association ([www.apwa.net](http://www.apwa.net)) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 29,000 members involved in the field of public works. APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy and the exchange of knowledge. APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, has an office in Washington, D.C. and 63 chapters in North America.*

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