## Supervisor's Monthly Report for March 2017 Mall Concourse

The Capitol Square construction started in the month of March, and hopefully, with weather cooperating, it should wrap up in the early part of the summer. The crew assisted the project by removing furniture that was in the way of the construction zones. During the furniture removals, we also have started to replace rusty items such as bike racks and benches with new or refurbished ones. Powerwashing of the bus shelters and furniture has started up with the warm temperatures to clean off winter debris. Landscaping tasks have increased for the month of March, with the landscaped beds getting a new layer of mulch added which the spring bulbs will soon push through. Landscape lighting has once again been installed to the Top of State Street to welcome the festive spring mood. We will be reseeding lawns and aerating them also due to salt damage from winter operations. Pansies will soon be added to our planters to enliven the concrete jungle.

March and April are a transition months for the Mall Concourse. Snow equipment will be changed over, and John Deere machines will be taken back for Central Parks to use as mowers. Major events have started again, with the Shamrock Shuffle and St. Patrick's day parade occurring this month. Looking ahead to April, the Farmer's Market will start up again which will host numerous crowds. The sidewalk washing program will also begin, with the Capitol Square and side streets getting cleaned this year. April will definitely be a busy month for the Mall Concourse!