



### **Civic Center Complex Team:**

Valerie Kennedy, assistant building manager;  
Cheryl Ramirez, building manager;  
Bill Weber, chief stationary engineer;  
Derin Minor, custodial services supervisor

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The Civic Center Complex is a popular shoot location for film, television, commercials and print ads – averaging over one a month. ~ Consisting of the Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, City Hall and two other buildings, the Complex is managed by an enthusiastic team headed by building manager Cheryl Ramirez. ~ The Council chamber has been used as a courtroom, the office of the City Manager has doubled as a psychiatrist's office, and more than once, the ornate Mayor's Office has served as the enclave of a high-powered corporate executive. ~ "It's impressive because it's a froo-froo kind of room," she laughed. ~ Cheryl's favorite was when a fake ATM machine was built in the Plaza by the Nash Bridges team...and then blown up. ~ "It took all day to do, but ended up only lasting a few seconds on TV," she said. "But we take pride in saying that we helped. We're proud of Oakland."

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