

SBCTAC STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation for Jim Kemp

MEETING DATE: March 8, 2017

AGENDA ITEM: 6

STAFF CONTACT: Michael Becker

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation for retired SBCAG Executive Director Jim Kemp. Direct staff to have the letter delivered.

DISCUSSION:

During its December 2016 meeting, the Committee stated its intent to draft a letter of appreciation for retired SBCAG Executive Director Jim Kemp. During the February 2017 meeting, Matt Dobberteen volunteered to draft the letter on behalf of the Committee. It is recommended the Committee authorize the Chair to sign the letter of appreciation and direct staff to have the letter delivered.

The recommended action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines.

Attachment:

Draft Letter of Appreciation



Santa Barbara County Transit Advisory Committee (SBCTAC)

March 8, 2017

Mr. Jim Kemp
Executive Director, Retired
Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
360 N. San Antonio Rd., Suite B
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

RE: LETTER OF APPRECIATION

Dear Jim:

On behalf of the Santa Barbara County Transit Advisory Committee (SBCTAC), I want to congratulate you on the commencement of your retirement. At our last SBCTAC meeting, members were recalling leadership you demonstrated during your career to advance more robust transit systems in our County.

Among your many achievements, you helped ensure that the second iteration of the local transportation sales tax measure included strong financial support for north and south county local and regional transit. You lead the effort to create comprehensive transit planning through the development of the first North County Transit Plan. You facilitated multiple local jurisdictions coming together in partnerships that spawned the first ever regional transit system connecting communities in the north county. You made sure that as highway expansion projects occurred in our region, local transit was enhanced to serve the public during lengthy construction periods.

Jim, under your leadership you wove public transit into the fabric of our communities so that all residents of our county have convenient, effective, affordable and accessible transportation. Transit is essential for connecting our populations, growing our economy and protecting the environment. Thank you for these lasting contributions and the meaningful legacy you have left in our community.

With Gratitude,

Matt van der Linden

Chair, SBCTAC