Date: February 17, 2015

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Patrick H. West, City Manager

Subject: Southern California Association of Governments: Region 29 Election

SCAG Overview
Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) is a metropolitan planning organization (MPO) representing six counties, 191 cities and over 19 million residents. SCAG's 83-member governing board is known as the Regional Council. Each Regional Council Member serves for a term of two (2) years commencing at the end of the annual Regional Conference and General Assembly. The Regional Council is comprised of 67 Districts.

Long Beach Representation
Long Beach City Councilmembers may hold up to two seats on the SCAG Regional Council, representing the City in Region 29 and Region 30. The Region 29 seat represents Long Beach and Avalon, and is elected in odd number years. The Region 30 seat represents Long Beach only, and is elected in even number years.

Since the Region 29 seat represents two Gateway Council of Government (COG) member cities, the COG administers this election. The Region 29 seat is currently up for election, as the two-year term currently filled by Councilmember Rex Richardson is up.

All Long Beach City Councilmembers are eligible for the Region 29 seat. Seven Councilmembers from the City of Long Beach and five Councilmembers of the City of Avalon elect the Region 29 representative. The voting Long Beach members include all members of the City Council, with the exception of the Vice Mayor and the Long Beach City Council representative to the Gateway COG; and the five Avalon City Councilmembers.

Call for Nominations
Councilmembers who are interested in serving as the Region 29 representative on the SCAG Regional Council, may submit a letter of interest to the Mayor by February 23, 2015. The City's nominee for the Region 29 seat will be submitted to the COG, and if only one nomination is submitted, then no election will be needed. If there are multiple nominations, then the COG will administer an election.

Additional Information
For more information on the SCAG elections please contact Diana Tang, Manager of Government Affairs, at 570-6506.

CC: Charles Parkin, City Attorney
    Larry Herrera-Cabrera, City Clerk
    Tom Modica, Assistant City Manager
    Arturo Sanchez, Deputy City Manager
    Jyl Marden, Assistant to the City Manager
    Diana Tang, Manager of Government Affairs

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ELECTION NOTICE FOR SCAG DISTRICT 29 REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

February 6, 2015

Cities of Avalon and Long Beach
Attention Mayor and Council Members

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The term of appointment for Council Member Rex Richardson to represent Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) District 29, on the SCAG Regional Council, expires May 7, 2015, immediately following the SCAG General Assembly. Gateway Cities Council of Governments (Gateway Cities COG), in cooperation with SCAG, is soliciting candidates for election to the SCAG District 29 seat, which represents the cities of Avalon and Long Beach. The election for District 29 SCAG Regional Council Representative will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015, 5:00 P.M., at the Gateway Cities COG Office 1st Floor Conference Room, 16401 Paramount Boulevard, Paramount, CA.

Individuals who wish to declare their candidacy for the SCAG District 29 Representative should notify the Gateway Cities COG offices, in writing, by 5:00 P.M., on Monday, February 23, 2015. Following the February 23rd deadline, Gateway Cities COG will provide notification of declared candidates to all Mayors and Council Members in the District. Should you have any questions regarding the election procedures, please contact Jack Joseph or Genny Cisneros at (562) 663-6850.

Cc: City Managers