



**Date:** February 23, 2017

**To:** Mayor and Members of the City Council

**From:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.H.W.*

**Subject:** Southern California Association of Governments: Region 29 Election

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**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 86-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. There are no term limits for an elected member.

**Long Beach Representation**

The Long Beach City Council may hold up to two seats on the SCAG Regional Council, one for Region 29, the other for 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 cities in the Gateway Council of Governments (COG), the COG administers this election. The Region 29 seat is currently up for election. Vice Mayor Rex Richardson is the current representative.

All Long Beach City Councilmembers are eligible for the Region 29 seat. Seven Long Beach Councilmembers and five Avalon Councilmembers 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 COG, and the five Avalon Councilmembers.

**Call for Nominations**

Councilmembers interested in serving as the Region 29 representative on the SCAG Regional Council may submit a letter of interest to the Mayor by March 1, 2017. The City's nominee for the Region 29 seat will be submitted to the COG. If only one nomination is submitted, then no election will be needed. If there are multiple nominations, 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.

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## ELECTION NOTICE FOR SCAG DISTRICT 29 REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

February 15, 2017

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 5, 2017, 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, April 5, 2017, 5:00 P.M., at the Gateway Cities COG Office 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Tuesday, March 14, 2017. Following the March 14<sup>th</sup> 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 or email [gcisneros@gatewaycog.org](mailto:gcisneros@gatewaycog.org).

Cc: City Managers

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