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LCP Grant Awards (Round 7)

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Re: Recommended Round 7 LCP Local Assistance Grant Awards (Item W6e)

Dear Chair Brownsey and Honorable California Coastal Commissioners,

Thank you for considering the City of Santa Barbara's applications for grant funding for a Regional Coastal Adaptation Monitoring Program, Airport and Goleta Slough Climate Adaptation Plan, and Waterfront Adaptation Planning. We are excited to undertake these sea-level rise implementation projects and very much appreciate the CCC providing funds for resilience projects on our coast.

It is because of CCC and Coastal Conservancy funding that the City and our regional partners have already accomplished so much in our mission to plan for sea-level rise. This has included the 2015 completion of the Goleta Slough Area Sea-Level Rise and Management Plan, certification in 2019 of a comprehensive new Coastal Land Use Plan, and adoption in 2021 of a Sea-Level Rise Adaptation Plan for the City. These plans have laid the framework for our City's phased approach to planning for sea-level rise and directly resulted in the City taking action in 2021 to form a Sea-Level Rise Adaptation Implementation Program staffed out of our Sustainability and Resilience Department.

The applications for funding before you now represent the next phase of sea-level rise adaptation that is needed for coastal communities after completion of general jurisdiction-wide planning. The applications include important implementation steps such as development of a shoreline monitoring program for the Santa Barbara and Ventura region and feasibility and concept plans for adapting infrastructure along our low-lying Waterfront, Harbor, and Airport.

Thank you again for considering our applications for funding. We look forward to continuing to work with the CCC on preparing the California coast for the impacts of sea-level rise.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alelia Parenteau".

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