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Mayor Marty Blum
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Dear Mayor Blum:

The Board of Directors of the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (MTD) is currently composed of five members, as stated in the MTD enabling act (Sections 95000, et seq. of the California Public Utilities Code). The five-member Board is appointed as follows:

PUC § 95400. The government of the district shall be vested in a board of five members. Two of the directors shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara. Two of the directors shall be appointed by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara. The four directors so appointed shall choose and appoint the fifth director.

The Cities of Goleta and Carpinteria have expressed interest in gaining representation on MTD's Board of Directors. MTD's Board has expressed support for seeking a change to the MTD enabling act to allow for expansion of the MTD Board of Directors by two members, one to be appointed by the City of Goleta and the other to be appointed by the City of Carpinteria. Under this proposed change, MTD's Board would grow to consist of a total of seven members.

It is important to us that any such change does not adversely affect either the City of Santa Barbara or County of Santa Barbara. If the City Council is supportive of this change, we would appreciate a letter addressed to MTD's board (Chair John Britton) that can be used to show support for this legislative change.

Cordially,



Sherrie Fisher
General Manager

cc: Jim Armstrong, City Administrator
MTD Board Chair John Britton