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Item Number: 4.2

MEETING DATE: 10/15/2025

DEPARTMENT: RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Stephanie Reck

SUBJECT:

PLANNING COMMISSION -

Approve Certificate of Recognition recognizing Arielle Goodspeed's service to the Planning Department from July 29th, 2019 to October 24th, 2025.

SBC FILE NUMBER: 790.2

AGENDA SECTION:

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

The San Benito County Planning Commission extends its deepest appreciation to Arielle Goodspeed, Principal Planner, for over six years of dedicated service to the Planning Department and the local community in recognition of your outstanding leadership.

Your exemplary oversight of core departmental functions—including Planning, Building, and Code Enforcement—along with the development and administration of a multimillion-dollar annual budget during the FY 2025–26 cycle, has demonstrated exceptional fiscal responsibility and strategic vision. You have successfully secured and managed critical funding aligned with long-term housing, conservation, and climate resilience goals. Your leadership in advancing major planning efforts—such as the San Benito County Conservation Plan (HCP/NCCP), 6th Cycle Housing Element, Safety Element, Agricultural Element, and the San Benito County Climate Action Roadmap—reflects a deep commitment to sustainable, inclusive, and forward-thinking community development.

Your contributions to the successful implementation of Specific Plans including Santana Ranch, San Juan Oaks, and Fairview Corners, as well as your work on policy development, ordinance updates, and interdepartmental coordination, have had a lasting impact on the County.

We also commend your dedication to building high-performing teams, modernizing internal systems through automation and digitization, and fostering transparent community engagement. In acting on

behalf of the Planning Director and representing the County in high-level discussions with tribal governments, developers, and regional partners, you have shown professionalism, integrity, and a strong sense of public service.

As you take the next step in your professional journey as a Planning Manager with the City of San Juan Bautista, we express our sincere gratitude for your contributions and wish you continued success. Your leadership and passion for community empowerment will be greatly missed.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement

Yes

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community

No

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend the Planning Commission approve, sign, and present the Certificate of Recognition recognizing Arielle Goodspeed's service to the Planning Department from July, 2019 to October 24th, 2025.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Certificate of Recognition \(Arielle Goodspeed\)](#)