

March 10, 2023

The Honorable Blanca Rubio California State Assembly 1021 O Street, Suite 5140 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SUPPORT AB 400 (Rubio) - Local agency design-build projects: authorization

Dear Assembly Member Rubio,

The Association of California Cities – Orange County (ACC-OC) represents the regional policy needs of most Orange County cities and special districts. Collectively, our members provide services to up to 3.2 million people and work across county borders on a multitude of public policy issues.

ACC-OC is pleased to inform you that we support AB 400. This bill would remove the sunset date for local agency design-build authority and thereby make the authority permanent. Design-build has been in use in projects in all areas of the state and for a broad variety of project types, allowing local agencies to take advantage of schedule and cost savings for appropriate projects using this authority.

Local agencies should be able to match the project type with the appropriate design and construction authority to ensure that the public receives the highest quality project at the lowest possible price and that is why we support AB 400. Should you have any questions about our position on AB 400 or about ACC-OC, please contact Wendy Strack, ACC-OC Director of Legislative Affairs, at (951) 712-3173 or at <a href="www.wstrack@accoc.org">wstrack@accoc.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Kris Murray

**Executive Director** 

Association of California Cities – Orange County

CC: ACC-OC Board of Directors