

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

BOB NISBET
Director

Ronn Carlentine, SR/WA
Real Property Manager

Mitch Guenthart
Fleet Manager



Paddy Langlands
Assistant Director

Jack T. Williams
Facilities Manager

Robert Ooley, AIA
County Architect

GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION

1105 Santa Barbara Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101

Mr. Don Irelan
City of Santa Barbara
Public Works Department (Engineering)
P.O. Box 1990
Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990

Bowl Foundation Request Road Abandonment of Lowena Road

Dear Mr. Irelan,

This letter shall serve as support of the Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation proposal to seek the City's approval of vacating an existing City public road easement on a portion of Lowena Drive. The vacation of Lowena Drive and the proposed design of the Santa Barbara Bowl-Box Office Plaza project will provide improved pedestrian and vehicle access for concert patrons entering the County facility known as the Santa Barbara Bowl.

It is our understanding the following history relates to that certain portion of Lowena Drive:

- 1936 the County was granted a public road easement that affects the same roadway
- City annexed that portion of County into the City limits
- 1955 City Resolution No. 2742 created City public road easement over Lowena Drive
- 1957 Executor Deed – conveyed Lowena Drive in fee to the County of Santa Barbara
- 1957 County Resolution No. 16496 – accepted Lowena Drive in fee which left the City public road easement in-place
- Present – When the County accepted Lowena Drive in fee in 1957, it merged the County's 1936 road easement on Lowena Drive, and therefore Lowena Drive is recognized as a County-owned property.

The County in its proprietary duty of that certain real property stated herein, does support the vacation of the City's public road easement of that certain portion of Lowena Drive consisting of approximately 15,880 square feet. The proposed Box Office Plaza project designed by the Bowl Foundation will provide more efficient and safer pedestrian and vehicle access to this County facility. Also, the improved walkway through the Box Office Plaza will eliminate the existing conflicts with pedestrian and vehicles using the same passage way to this County facility.

Ronn Carlentine,
Real Property Manager
(805 568-3078)