



**Agenda Item B.1
PRESENTATION
Meeting Date: July 21, 2026**

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

SUBMITTED BY: Robert Nisbet, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Shannon Kirn, Assistant to the City Manager
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SUBJECT: Ocean Nails & Spa Business Recognition Award

RECOMMENDATION:

Present a Business Recognition award certificate to Ocean Nails & Spa.

BACKGROUND:

The Business Recognition Program (Program) and its accompanying guidelines were approved by the City Council in July 2024. The Program is intended to highlight exceptional Goleta businesses for their notable achievements and unique contributions to the community. Recognition may be based on factors such as longevity, economic development, prosperity, sustainability, resilience, or other efforts that promote ongoing community enrichment.

Under the Program guidelines, nominations are open to the public, and self-nominations are encouraged. Nominations may be submitted at any time through an online form and are intended to be given on a quarterly basis depending on nominations. Award recipients are typically selected by City of Goleta staff in consultation with the Greater Santa Barbara Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber of Commerce.

DISCUSSION:

Ocean Nails & Spa has been selected for recognition in honor of its status as a woman-owned business and its longstanding presence in the City of Goleta.

Ocean Nails & Spa, owned by Hang (Kathy) Bui and Hai Le, has served the Goleta community for 17 years, providing consistent and high-quality nail services to local residents. The business has been recognized repeatedly as a Neighborhood Favorite on Nextdoor from 2017 through 2024 and has been nominated for Best of the Best and Runner-Up by the *Santa Barbara Independent* from 2019 through 2025. Most recently,

BusinessRate named Ocean Nails & Spa one of the top five beauty salons in Goleta for 2025. The owners credit their dedicated team and their commitment to excellent customer service and maintaining a welcoming, well-kept environment. The business emphasizes safe and hygienic practices by following state requirements and incorporating thoughtful measures to ensure client comfort. Through these efforts, Ocean Nails & Spa maintains a healthy atmosphere and continues to demonstrate excellence in both service delivery and community contribution.

A certificate will be formally presented to Ocean Nails & Spa at the City Council meeting on July 21, 2026.

FISCAL IMPACTS:

The only fiscal impacts of this program include staff time and negligible expenses related to the purchasing and printing of certificates. Sufficient funds are available in the City Manager's budget under Economic Development Professional Services to cover these costs.

APPROVED BY: Robert Nisbet, City Manager