



## Legislation Text

**File #:** 18-840, **Version:** 1

Adopt and present a resolution and plaque of appreciation honoring Kanon R. Artiche, General Services Assistant Director, upon his retirement from the Department of General Services with over 22 years of dedicated service to Solano County, including over 2 years as a County consultant and 20 years as an employee of Solano County (Chair Vasquez)

Published Notice Required? Yes ☐ No ☒  
Public Hearing Required? Yes ☐ No ☒

### **DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of General Services recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt and present a resolution and plaque of appreciation honoring Kanon R. Artiche, AIA, General Services Assistant Director, upon his retirement from the Department of General Services with over 22 years of dedicated service to Solano County, including over 2 years as a County consultant and 20 years as an employee of Solano County.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

Kanon R. Artiche began his Solano County career in July 1996 working as a private-sector consultant to Solano County where he served for over 2 years before accepting the position of Solano County Architect in February 1999 where he served in that capacity for over 14 years. Mr. Artiche was promoted to Deputy Director of General Services in June 2013 and his position was reclassified as Assistant Director of General Services in May 2015 where he served in those positions for over 5 years.

During his tenure with Solano County, Kanon Artiche managed unprecedented development of a new generation of County facilities, including the Solano County Government Center in the Downtown Fairfield County Campus, the largest capital improvement project and first LEED<sup>TM</sup> (leadership in Energy and Environmental Design<sup>TM</sup>) certified building in Solano County's 168-year history. His efforts brought local, state and federal recognition and awards, which elevated the profile of Solano County within the design and construction industry and community-at-large. He authored or co-authored competitive grant applications which resulted in over \$102 million in grant awards from other agencies, leveraging and preserving local funds for other uses. Mr. Artiche pioneered project delivery methods that were new to California Counties, co-authored and advocated for legislation that resulted in expanded access to innovative project delivery methods to public agencies throughout California.

Mr. Artiche served as Logistics Chief during emergency responses to local fires, floods and earthquakes. He served as Chairperson of the County's Smoke-free Facilities Policy Transition Team to establish smoke-free County facilities. He represented Solano County by serving as a Project Principal during the state's Renovation of the 1911 Solano Courthouse and as a member of the Technical Advisory Committee during City of Fairfield's development of the Heart of Fairfield Master Plan. He prepared technical studies and implemented numerous operational improvements to the Department of General Services to provide business continuity, transfer institutional knowledge, and improve service delivery. Mr. Artiche was part of the 2008 inaugural class of Solano County's Future Leaders Program administered by the University of California, Davis Extension and served as a Subject Matter Expert for the former State Board of Corrections, now known as the State of California Corrections Standards Authority.

During the past two decades, Mr. Artiche has been an active member of the American Institute of Architects, Central Valley Chapter, served as past President of the California Counties Architects and Engineers Association(CCAEA), and co-founded the CCAEA Public Project Awards of Excellence to recognize the counties and individual responsible for delivering county projects throughout the state. In 2018, Mr. Artiche received the Founder's Award to recognize his decades of service to CCAEA. For over a decade, Mr. Artiche also served as a Supplemental Exam Commissioner for the California Architects Board to administer the final examination in the licensing process to practice architecture in California, and he served as a founding judge for the Design-Build Institute of America's Western Region Awards Program to recognize exemplary design-build projects.

Prior to working for Solano County, Mr. Artiche received Baccalaureate degrees from the University of California, Riverside, and California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. He became a licensed architect in the state of California in December 1983. He began his 40-year professional career working for private sector architectural and project construction management firms in Orange County before relocating to northern California and beginning work with Solano County as a consultant in 1996.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The cost associated with preparing the agenda item is nominal and absorbed by the department's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget. The costs associated with preparation and purchase of the resolution materials and plaque are included in the Board's FY2018/19 Adopted Budget.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose not to adopt the resolution and plaque of appreciation. This alternative is not recommended because Mr. Artiche's service to Solano County is worthy of recognition and provides a positive example for others.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The County's Administrator's Office has reviewed the item and concurs with the Department's recommendation.

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

**APPROVE DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION**