

RESOLUTION NO. R20-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA TO OPPOSE STATE PLANNING AND ZONING LEGISLATION THAT USURPS LOCAL CONTROL AND IMPOSES UNFUNDED MANDATES

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California has proposed a number of bills addressing a range of planning and zoning issues that are typically addressed by local jurisdictions through their general plan and zoning codes; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these planning and zoning bills usurp the authority of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves the land use policies and practices that best suit their cities and residents and instead impose mandates that do not take into account the needs and differences of jurisdictions throughout the State, as well as imposing unfunded mandates on jurisdictions for actions that are not in their best interests; and

WHEREAS, for example, the ability of jurisdictions to determine for themselves which projects require review beyond a ministerial approval, what parking requirements are appropriate for various locales within their jurisdiction, what plans and programs are suitable and practical for each community rather than having these decisions imposed upon cities without regard to the circumstances of each individual city is a matter of great importance to the City of Palos Verdes Estates; and

WHEREAS, Palos Verdes Estates residents reside in a high fire risk zone, and many of these planning and zoning bills do not adequately consider the constraints of the local terrain or the ability to safely and effectively evacuate in the event of wildfire or other natural disasters; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates feels strongly that our local government is best able to assess the needs of our community and objects to the proliferation of State legislation that deprives us of that ability.

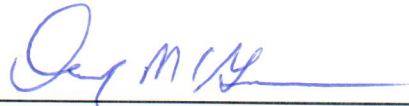
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the City Council registers its equally strong opposition to the current practice of the State legislature of proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to control their own destiny through use of the zoning authority that has been granted to them; and

SECTION 2. That the City Council declares that, should the State continue to pass legislation that attacks local municipal authority, control, and revenue the City of Palos Verdes Estates will support actions such as a ballot measure that would limit the State's ability to control local activities and strengthen local democracy and authority; and

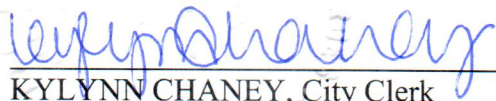
SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect as of the date of its passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of September, 2020.



DAVID MCGOWAN, Mayor

ATTEST:



KYLYNN CHANEY, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CHRISTI HOGIN, City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) SS:
CITY OF PALOS VERDES ESTATES)

I, Klynn Chaney, City Clerk for the City of Palos Verdes Estates, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution **R20-31** was duly and regularly approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Palos Verdes Estates at its regular meeting of the City Council on the 8th day of September, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: McGowan, Kemp, Davidson, Lozzi, Kao

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBER: None

Kylynn Chaney, City Clerk