## **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-45**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRENTWOOD EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN LOCAL AUTHORITY AND CONTROL RELATED TO LOCAL ZONING AND HOUSING POLICY, AND ITS SUPPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA CITIZENS FOR LOCAL CONTROL VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATION

**WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of California each year proposes, passes, and has signed into law a number of bills addressing a range of housing issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the legislature of the State of California does not allow sufficient time between each legislative cycle to determine if the legislation is successful in bringing about the change for the State of California's housing issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the majority of these bills usurp the authority of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves the land use policies and practices that best suit each city and its residents and instead impose mandates that do not take into account the needs and differences of jurisdictions throughout the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the ability of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves which projects require review beyond a ministerial approval; what parking requirements are appropriate for various neighborhoods within their jurisdiction; what plans and programs are suitable and practical for each community rather than having these decisions imposed upon cities without regards to the circumstances of each individual city; and what zoning and density should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great import to the City of Brentwood among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Brentwood feels strongly that local government is best able to assess the needs of their community and objects to the proliferation of State legislation that deprives cities of that ability and supports the efforts of the volunteer organization California Citizens for Local Control.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Brentwood:

- 1. Is strongly opposed to the current practice of the legislature of the State of California of continually 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
- 2. Will explore various ways to protect the ability of cities to retain local control over zoning as each individual city within the State of California is best suited to determine how the zoning in their city should be allocated to meet the housing needs of the community; and
- 3. Supports the California Citizens for Local Control volunteer organization and its efforts for protecting local control for cities.
- 4. Declares that this Resolution shall take effect as of the date of its passage and adoption.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Brentwood at a regular meeting held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

Bryant, Mendoza, Meyer, Rarey, Rodriguez

NOES:

None

ABSENT: RECUSE:

None None

Joel Bryant

Mayor

ATTEST:

Fox: Margaret Wimberly, MMC

City Clerk