

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-1346

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LAGUNA NIGUEL, CALIFORNIA,
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ACTIONS TO FURTHER
STRENGTHEN LOCAL CONTROL, DEMOCRACY AND
AUTHORITY AS RELATED TO LOCAL HOUSING,
ZONING AND LAND USE ISSUES**

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, zoning and land use 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, for example the ability of local 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; and, what zoning should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great importance to the City of Laguna Niguel, among other items related to local zoning, housing and land use issues; and,

WHEREAS, land use policies imposed by the State Legislature work contrary to the solutions developed by the local government; and,

WHEREAS, unfunded mandates from the State legislature impose a burden on the local taxpayers of Laguna Niguel; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Laguna Niguel feels very 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, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Laguna Niguel as follows:

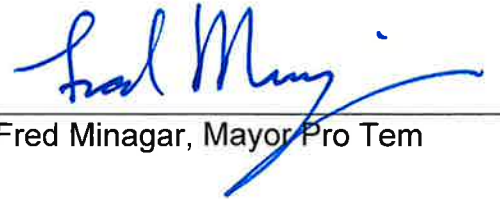
SECTION 1. The City of Laguna Niguel is opposed to the current practice of the legislature of the State of California of continually proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to

control their own destiny through use of zoning authority that has been granted to them.

SECTION 2. The City of Laguna Niguel registers its strong support in favor of protecting 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 in order to meet the housing needs of the community.

SECTION 3. The City of Laguna Niguel declares that, should the state continue to pass legislation that attacks local municipal authority, control and revenue, the City of Laguna Niguel will support actions such as a ballot measure that would limit the State ability to control local activities and strengthen local democracy and authority.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of November 2020.


Fred Minagar, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


Eileen C. Gomez
City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE)SS
CITY OF LAGUNA NIGUEL)

I, Eileen C. Gomez, City Clerk of the City of Laguna Niguel, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is Resolution No. 2020-1346, which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Laguna Niguel, California, held November 17, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Gennawey, Jennings, Rains, and
 Mayor Pro Tem Minagar

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: Mayor Davies

Eileen C. Gomez
City Clerk