

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE CITY'S HOUSING AND LOCAL LAND USE LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

WHEREAS, the City Council has an interest in weighing in on state, federal, and regional legislative issues that impact the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Council annually takes action on numerous legislative proposals brought forward throughout the year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes is committed to maintaining and enhancing a high quality of life and safety for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes recognizes the State of California is in a housing crisis due to reduced housing stock as well as lack of affordable housing; and

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' general plan and zoning code to attempt to mitigate the housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these planning and zoning bills usurp the authority of local jurisdictions to determine for themselves the local land use practices that best suit their cities and residents, as well as imposing unfunded mandates on jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the City has the tools, knowledge, and policies in place to continue to plan and develop innovative solutions to mitigate the housing crisis that, with the preservation of local land use authority, consider the City's unique geographic, geologic, and infrastructure constraints; and,

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes adopted Resolution No. 2020-46, expressing opposition to proposed planning and zoning legislation that usurps local control and imposes unfunded mandates, and expressing support for actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority and control; and

WHEREAS, the City Council continues to take an active advocacy role relating to housing and local land use legislative policies proposed by the State Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2: The City Council hereby adopts and approves the City's Housing and Local Land Use Legislative Platform attached and incorporated herein by this reference (Attachment A), as the official housing and local land use legislative policy of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes. This Platform may be used to build a coalition intended to protect local control.

Section 3: The City Council therefore hereby adopts the following findings:

A. The City of Rancho Palos Verdes opposes proposed planning and zoning legislation that usurps local control and imposes unfunded mandates.

B. The City supports actions to further strengthen local democracy, authority, and control.

C. The City would support housing policies which include funded mandates or created funded programs such as Local Early Action Planning (LEAP) and Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) to assist local planning efforts.

D. The City would support policies that provide incentives to cities such as additional tax revenue or tax breaks and policies which grant concessions to existing policies for adoption of pro-housing policies.

E. The City would support policies or grants directed toward developers to incentivize the creation of affordable housing.

F. The City would support policies which expand programs such as Project Homekey, which repurpose existing buildings into an affordable housing option.

G. The City would support policies and programs which provide social services and mental health services to help unhoused persons be eligible for, acquire, and maintain affordable housing.

H. The City would support policies or programs that allow city and state collaboration on housing production, alongside sustainable transportation, broadband deployment, and other key infrastructure areas to support our communities.

Section 4: The Housing and Local Land Use Legislative Platform will be used to guide legislative advocacy related to housing and local land use authority.

Section 5: The City Clerk shall certify to the passage, approval, and adoption of this resolution, and shall cause this resolution and its certification to be entered in the Book of Resolutions of the City Council of the City.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THE 6TH DAY OF JULY 2021.



Eric Alegria, Mayor

ATTEST:


Teresa Takaoka, City Clerk

State of California)
County of Los Angeles) ss
City of Rancho Palos Verdes)

I, Teresa Takaoka, City Clerk of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes, hereby certify that the above Resolution No. 2021-31 was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the said City Council at a regular meeting thereof held on July 6, 2021.


Teresa Takaoka, City Clerk