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June 3, 2024

Tony Kranz
Mayor

The Honorable Ben Allen
Member, California State Senate
1021 O Street, Suite 6610
Sacramento, CA 95814

Allison Blackwell
Deputy Mayor

RE: SB 1234 (Allen) Coastal Resources: Local Land Use Plan: Zoning Ordinances and District Maps: Non-substantive Modifications - Notice of SUPPORT (As Amended April 23, 2024)

Dear Senator Allen,

The City of Encinitas is pleased to support SB 1234 (Allen), which would allow local governments to adopt non-substantive modifications on a land use plan (LUP) of a local coastal program (LCP) or any zoning ordinance and district map changes through a ministerial approval process.

Bruce Ehlers
Council Member

The California Coastal Commission (Commission) can delegate permitting authority to the cities and counties if the local governments develop and receive certification of Local Coastal Programs (LCPs). The California Coastal Act requires a LUP, an implementation plan, and zoning ordinances or district maps to be submitted, reviewed, and certified by the Commission. The Commission can suggest amendments, and if the local government accepts them, the plan is considered approved.

Kellie Shay Hinze
Council Member

This process is often time-consuming and can lead to delays in crucial coastal development and other projects in the coastal zone. This bill would allow the city or county legislative bodies to authorize planning directors to adopt non-substantive changes to local land use plans and zoning ordinances or district maps through ministerial approval if the ministerial process is adopted through a public meeting and by resolution or ordinance. Allowing local governments to use ministerial approval for non-substantive modifications to the LUP or zoning ordinances and district maps would streamline the process for municipalities to adopt changes while ensuring compliance with the California Coastal Act.

Joy Lyndes
Council Member

Pamela Antil
City Manager

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For these reasons, the City of Encinitas supports SB 1234 (Allen). If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at (760) 633-2618.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "A. J. Kranz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "K" at the end.

Tony Kranz
Mayor
City of Encinitas

cc: Senator Catherine Blakespear
Assemblymember Tasha Boerner
League of California Cities