

June 24, 2019

Catherine S. Blakespear Mayor The Honorable David Chiu Chair, Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development State Capitol, Room 4112 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 5 (Beall/McGuire/Portantino) Local-State Sustainable Investment Incentive Program - Notice of SUPPORT (As Amended 6/17/2019)

Jody Hubbard Deputy Mayor

Dear Assembly Member Chiu:

Kellie Shay Hinze Council Member The City of Encinitas supports SB 5 (Beall/McGuire/Portantino), the Local-State Sustainable Investment Incentive Program. SB 5 gives cities the tools to improve communities while acknowledging the need for flexible funding to spur housing construction and revitalize communities.

The elimination of redevelopment in 2011 created a huge deficit in community revitalization resources throughout California, including an annual loss of \$1 billion in funding for low- and moderate-income housing.

Tony Kranz Council Member

SB 5 provides the opportunities for communities to access additional tax increment revenues to fund affordable housing, infrastructure, and economic development projects that advance state and local priorities, including reducing greenhouse gas emissions, expanding transit-oriented development (TOD), addressing poverty, and revitalizing neighborhoods.

Joe Mosca Council Member The City of Encinitas, like many coastal communities, has limited vacant land resources. Encinitas is very interested in progressive development that would provide an affordable housing component, at a managed pace and in locations that fit our community according to our General Plan and Housing Element. Many of the legislative bills that have recently been introduced force communities to allow development to fit a larger model that does not fit, nor serve a local community's needs.

Karen P. Brust City Manager The time is right for the state to fill the void left by the elimination of redevelopment and provide more tools to support local efforts to build more affordable housing, provide essential infrastructure, and create opportunities in underserved communities.

For these reasons, the City of Encinitas supports SB 5 (Beall/McGuire/Portantino).

Sincerely,

Tony Kranz
Councilmember
City of Encinitas

cc:

Senator Patricia Bates

Assembly Member Tasha Boerner Horvath

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