

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - 4339

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MURRIETA, CALIFORNIA
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ACTIONS TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN LOCAL
DEMOCRACY, AUTHORITY, AND CONTROL AS RELATED TO LOCAL ZONING AND
HOUSING 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 issues; and

WHEREAS, the legislature of the State of California does not allow sufficient time between legislative cycles 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 regard to the circumstances of each individual city; and what zoning should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great import to the City of Murrieta among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Murrieta feels 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 Murrieta, California, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Murrieta 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 the zoning authority that has been granted to them.

Section 2. The City of Murrieta 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 in order to meet the housing needs of the community.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of December, 2020.

Gene Wunderlich

Gene Wunderlich, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stephanie D. Smith

Stephanie D. Smith, MMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leslie E. Devaney

Leslie E. Devaney, City Attorney

I, Stephanie D. Smith, MMC, City Clerk of the City of Murrieta, California, do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 1st day of December 2020, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Ingram, Seyarto, Vinton, White, Wunderlich

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Stephanie D. Smith

Stephanie D. Smith, MMC, City Clerk