

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENIFEE, 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 each legislative cycle to determine if the legislation is successful in bringing about the change for the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the majority of these bills usurp the authority of the 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 projects are suitable and practical for each community rather than having these decisions imposed upon cities without regard to the circumstances in each individual city; and what zoning should be allowed for residential properties is a matter of great importance to the City of Menifee among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the City of Menifee is opposed to measures that reduce, eliminate, preempt local control or authority, or conflict with other legislative priorities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Menifee 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, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MENIFEE, CALIFORNIA DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City of Menifee is opposed to the current practice of the legislature of the State of California continually proposing and passing multitudes of bills that directly impact and interfere with the ability of cities to control their destiny through use of the zoning authority that has been granted to them.
2. The City of Menifee 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.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 6 day of March 2024.

Bill Zimmerman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Manwaring, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jeffrey T. Melching, City Attorney