

April 6, 2021

Via Email

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
California State Assembly
State Capitol
P.O. Box 942849, Room 2179
Sacramento, CA 94249-0066

SUBJECT: Notice of Support of ACA No. 7

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes supports ACA No. 7, which would preserve local land use authority.

In local land use planning and zoning, there are many factors that must be considered. The City of Rancho Palos Verdes is located on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, almost entirely within a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ). As such, it is vital that the City maintain its local land use authority to ensure that all developments meet all safety standards and that related traffic changes do not have undue influence on egress paths.

While the City appreciates the work of the Legislature to propose policies related to land use, such measures cannot properly assess their impact on individual communities and their general plans. The City supports the intent of ACA No. 7, to allow cities' local ordinances to prevail over general law if they are in conflict. We look forward to the Legislature's passage of this bill, and the support of the people of the State of California in this matter.

Sincerely,



Eric Alegria
Mayor

Assemblymember Muratsuchi

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