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To:  
Councilmember.McOsker@lacity.org  
And the members of the Los Angeles City Council

Sent Via Email

Re: Oppose State Senate Bill 423 unless amended to exempt jurisdictions without a certified LCP

The following resolution was approved at the August 21, 2023 meeting of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board.

Whereas Senate Bill 423 was amended on July 10, 2023 to change from maintaining the Coastal Zone exemption to exempt only certain areas of the Coastal Zone, such as those vulnerable to sea level rise or within a 100 foot radius of a wetland, and to not exempt areas subject to a certified Local Coastal Program (LCP) or a certified Land Use Plan (LUP);

Whereas, Coastal Act Section 30604(a) requires that prior to certification of an LCP, a coastal development permit shall be issued if the issuing agency, or the commission on appeal, finds that the proposed development is in conformity with Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 30200) **and that the permitted development will not prejudice the ability of the local government to prepare a LCP that is in conformity with Chapter 3; and**

Whereas applying SB 423 to areas with only a certified LUP, such as is the case with all of the Los Angeles Coastal Zones, would prejudice the ability of the local government to prepare a LCP that conforms with Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act as it would allow for projects that do not conform with the Coastal Act.

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Resolved, the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council strongly recommends that the City modify its 2023 State Legislative Program position for Senate Bill 423 from “support if amended to maintain the Coastal Zone exemption and provide an unconditional exemption for the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones” to “oppose unless amended to exempt jurisdictions without a certified LCP and provide an unconditional exemption for the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.”

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas Epperhart". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doug Epperhart, President  
On behalf of the Coastal San Pedro Neighborhood Council Board

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