



Staff Report

February 11, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
FROM: Wes Heathcock, Town Manager
RE: CCLC Support Resolution

Recommendation

Staff is recommending the council review the attached materials, discuss, and provide staff with directions.

Background

Mayor Ring received a request from the California Cities for Local Control (CCLC) coalition requesting the Town of Loomis to adopt a resolution in support of advocating for local control of land use and zoning. Mayor Ring will present the item to the council for consideration.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications for this action currently.

CEQA Requirements

The proposed professional services contract is not subject to review under CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3), which exempts administrative items since they will not result in any direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

Attachment

- A. Resolution
- B. CCLC Support Letter

TOWN OF LOOMIS

RESOLUTION NO. 25 - _____

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOOMIS 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'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 Town of Loomis among other items related to local zoning and housing issues; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Loomis 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 Council of the Town of Loomis resolves as follows:

Section 1. The Town of Loomis 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 Town of Loomis 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. The Town Clerk shall certify the adoption of this resolution and shall cause this resolution and his/her certification to be entered in the Book of Resolution of the Council of this City.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11th day of February 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

ATTEST:

Mayor

Town Clerk



Dear Mayor Pro Tem David Ring,

Happy New Year! We at California Cities for Local Control (CCLC) hope you had a pleasant holiday season! And welcome to all the newly elected local City officials!

As the new year gets started, and the State Legislators reconvene, we are hopeful that this year will bring less State bills that impinge on Cities abilities to manage their own land use and zoning. Another big issue that impacts Cities this year is that we reach the mid-point of the current RHNA cycle. Has Loomis made sufficient progress toward your City's assigned RHNA allocations to avoid the penalties that the State has promised it will impose for failure to do so?

We at CCLC will continue to work to identify bills that affect your City's local control of land use and zoning and to keep you informed. If you have signed on in support of our efforts, we thank you! You have made our voice that much stronger!

And lastly, if you're concerned with the attacks on local control, we at California Cities for Local Control (CCLC) always ask:

1. Is your name on the CCLC list yet?
2. Has your City passed a resolution in support of Local Control over land-use and zoning?

As of today, over 712 local elected officials have lent their name to our effort and 82 California Cities have passed resolutions in support of protecting 'Local Control'. Thank you again if you are one of them!!

Do you agree that local leaders, like yourself, know how to manage their Cities better than State legislators (most of whom have never even been to your City) and that one-size-fits-all bills don't address the uniqueness of Loomis?

If you haven't already, please join us NOW! It's easy and free to show your support. Check out our website and do the following to join the hundreds of your colleagues from around the state (maybe even from Loomis) who have already joined with us.

It is this easy to join with us - please do any or all of the following ASAP:

1. Reply to this email by stating “YES, I add my name to the fight for Local Control”. Your name will be added to the list.

2. Pass a Resolution stating your strong support for retaining local control of your community. If Loomis has already passed a resolution in support, then just do #1 above. Download a resolution template you can use.

3. Email me back a copy of the signed resolution once passed.

TOGETHER, speaking in a 'unified voice' we can make a difference. Don't be left out! There has never been a better and more important time to step up!

Thank you for your consideration for helping to bring self-determination back to our Cities.

And thank you for taking the time to read this and for your service to Loomis.

Mike Griffiths

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(One of the 5 Cities who SUCCESSFULLY sued the State to block SB9)

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