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CITY of SAN DIEGO -- The Community Planners Committee, known as CPC, which consists of leaders of the City of San Diego Community Planning Groups, held a video-conference meeting on Tuesday, July 7.

The CPC reviewed multiple bills currently being considered by the State Senate and Assembly which are already at various levels of approval; specifically Senate Bills (SB) SB474, SB902, SB995, SB1085, SB1120, and SB1385, and Assembly Bills (AB) AB725, AB1279, AB2345, AB3040, AB3107. Some of these bills are spinoffs of last year's SB50 which was pulled from consideration earlier this year due to sizable opposition.

In general, the CPC voted to oppose state-controlled zoning, particularly SB902 and AB1279, which would give developers exceptions to existing zoning and density limits throughout the City, including our residential neighborhoods and coastal areas.

The group did support SB474 which prohibits development in Very High Fire Severity Zones.

In a clear rejection of state-controlled zoning, the community planners voted to oppose any proposed laws which would:

- Impose State mandates that take away local control of zoning and land use;
- Change land-use rules to allow "ministerial" decisions that bypass local community review; and
- Provide exceptions to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)