

SAN MARCOS CITY COUNCIL

BILL POSITIONS & STATUS

BILL	AUTHOR	DESCRIPTION	STATUS	POSITION
AB 37	Bonta	Political Reform Act of 1974: campaign funds: security expenses. The bill would instead authorize a candidate or elected officer to use campaign funds to pay or reimburse the state for the reasonable costs of installing and monitoring a home or office electronic security system, and for the reasonable costs of providing personal security reasonably related to the candidate or elected officer's status as a candidate or elected officer.	[Hearing: Jul 5] To Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee	SUPPORT
AB 334	Rubio	Public contracts: conflicts of interest. This bill would establish that an independent contractor, who meets specified requirements, is not an officer for purposes of being subject to the prohibition on being financially interested in a contract.	2023-05-30 [Hearing: Jun 6 @ 9:30 am] To Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee	SUPPORT
AB 400	Rubio	Current law, among other requirements for the design-build procurement process, requires specified information submitted by a design-build entity to be certified under penalty of perjury. These provisions authorizing the use of the design-build procurement process are repealed on January 1, 2025. This bill would remove the January 1, 2025, repeal date, thereby making these provisions operative indefinitely.	Hearing: Jul 3 @ 10:00 am To Senate Appropriations Committee	SUPPORT
AB 480	Ting	AB 480 (Ting) makes various changes to the SLA regarding the land disposal process and HCD's authority, including changing the penalty provisions to factor in the appraised value of the land, exempting specific public-use airports from the SLA and making procedural changes to the noticing provisions regarding disposal of surplus land. The bill is in the Senate Governance and Finance committee and was amended this week with some minor amendments.	The bill was heard and passed by the Senate Governance and Finance committee this week and is now headed to the Senate Housing Committee.	OPPOSE
AB 519	Schiavo	Would require HCD to establish a workgroup to develop a consolidated application for the purposes of obtaining grants, loans, tax credits, credit enhancement, and other types of financing for building affordable housing, and developing a coordinated review process for the application. The bill would require the workgroup to include representatives of the department, the California Housing Finance Agency, the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, and the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee and would require the workgroup to identify a lead agency to receive the application and to work directly with applicants and specify the responsibilities of the lead agency.	2023-06-14 [Hearing: Jul 10] To Senate Housing Committee	SUPPORT
AB 817	Pacheco	Pending amendments — would allow non-decision-making legislative bodies currently governed by the Brown Act, such as advisory bodies and commissions, to participate in two-way virtual teleconferencing without posting their physical location. The teleconference flexibility granted to cities because of COVID-19 noticeably reduced barriers to participation. Residents who were usually not able to participate due to time, distance, or mandatory physical participation requirements were able to attend public meetings. AB 817 would maintain that access for certain legislative bodies, creating greater access to leadership opportunities and providing more diverse input on critical community proposals.	2023-04-25 To Assembly Local Government Committee	SUPPORT

AB 821	Grayson	The bill creates a written notification process and time limit for jurisdictions to align their zoning code with the land use element of the general plan. The bill would also require a local jurisdiction to accept and consider an application for an infill housing development project that is consistent with a regional Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) and requires a general plan amendment. Amendments to the bill move the number of days from 90 to 180 and narrow the applicability of the bill to project specific changes.	Judiciary Committee where it has been set for July 6.	OPPOSE
AB 972	Maienschien	This Cal Cities sponsored bill, would coordinate, align, and streamline local government assistance resources to endure that every community has the same opportunity to compete for state funding opportunities by convening a statewide, cross-agency Local Assistance and Grant Program Streamlining Workgroup, no later than April 2024. The bill was heard by the Senate Governance and Finance Committee where it was amended to clarify that state entities do not have to implement recommendations that come out of the workgroup's report required by the bill if there is no appropriation by the Legislature.	The bill will next go to the Appropriations Committee.	SUPPORT
AB 976	Ting	The Planning and Zoning Law, among other things, provides for the creation of accessory dwelling units by local ordinance, or, if a local agency has not adopted an ordinance, by ministerial approval, in accordance with specified standards and conditions. Current law requires a local ordinance to require an accessory dwelling unit to be either attached to, or located within, the proposed or existing primary dwelling, as specified, or detached from the proposed or existing primary dwelling and located on the same lot as the proposed or existing primary dwelling. This bill would instead prohibit a local agency from imposing an owner-occupancy requirement on any accessory dwelling unit.	The bill is in Senate Committee on Governance and Finance where it will be heard on July 5th.	OPPOSE
AB 1207	Irwin	This bill would implement provisions of AUMA by prohibiting the sale or manufacture of cannabis or cannabis products that are attractive to children, as defined, and by prohibiting the advertisement and marketing of cannabis or cannabis products in a way that is attractive to children. The bill would implement AUMA by prohibiting cannabis or cannabis products intended for use by inhalation or combustion from containing any natural or synthetic flavors or descriptors of flavors. The bill would require the adoption of emergency regulations to implement these provisions. This bill contains other existing laws.	<i>[Hearing: Jul 3 @ 10:30 am]</i> To Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee	SUPPORT
AB 1484	Zbur	Sponsored by SEIU, this bill would provide that temporary employees of cities and counties are automatically included in the same bargaining unit as the permanent employees if temporary employees are not presently within the unit definition. Of note, the bill applies to temporary seasonal employees.	The bill has been referred to the Senate Labor Committee, but not yet set for hearing.	OPPOSE
AB 1490	Lee	This bill would make 100 percent affordable housing projects that adaptively reuse existing residential buildings an allowable use, regardless of any inconsistencies between the project and any local plans, zoning, or regulations, and limits local governments from imposing maximum density or floor area ratio requirements, and any requirements to add additional parking or open space.	Senate Governance and Finance Committee where it will be heard on July 5	OPPOSE
AB 1532	Haney	Office conversion projects. Make an office conversion project that meets certain requirements a use by right in all areas regardless of zoning, exempts project from impact fees that are not directly related to the conversion, allows applicable fees to be paid over 10-year period, and expands the exemption for approval of ministerial projects under CEQA.	2023-03-23 To Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee	OPPOSE

AB 1630	Garcia	Planning and zoning: housing development approvals: student housing projects. prohibit a city, county, or city and county from prohibiting a dormitory on any real property located within 1/2 mile of a university campus and would require a city, county, or city and county to classify student housing as a permitted use on all real property within 1/2 mile of a university campus for zoning purposes. Would require a proposed student housing project to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or a hearing, if specified requirements are met, including that at least 50% of the units in the project be occupied by students at the local university campus to which the project site is proximate. In connection with an application, a city, county, or city and county is required, upon request, to provide a list of permits and fees that are required by the city, county, or city and county.	2023-03-22 To Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee	OPPOSE
AB 1637	Irwin	This bill would require local governments to acquire and transition all domain websites and email addresses to .gov by 2029. The mandate would not provide any immunity against hacking or malware attacks and would result in enormous technical and rebranding costs. The bill was heard and amended by the Senate Governance and Finance Committee to change the date by which local governments must transition their domain websites and email addresses from 2025 to 2029.	2023-06-30 The bill will next go to the Senate Appropriations Committee	OPPOSE
AB 1708	Muratsuchi	This bill would refine the definition of shoplifting and would specifically exclude certain offenses from prosecution as shoplifting, including, among others, the theft of a firearm or vehicle, identity theft, and credit card fraud.	2023-04-19 - Coauthors revised.	SUPPORT
SB 4	Wiener	This measure would allow by-right development of affordable housing on land owned by an independent institution of higher education or religious institution on or before January 1, 2024. The bill is a re-run of SB 1336 (Wiener) that died in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee because the bill would have exempted projects from CEQA.	The bill was heard and amended in the Assembly Housing Committee this week. It will now go to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.	OPPOSE
SB 236	Jones	This bill would require the office, to the extent funds are available for this purpose and until January 1, 2029, to allocate and award funds to up to 11 district attorney offices that employ a vertical prosecution methodology for the prosecution of human trafficking crimes and that meet other specified criteria, including minimum staffing levels for the program.	2023-06-01 In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	SUPPORT
SB 423	Wiener	The bill would modify and expand SB 35 provisions to allow certain multifamily housing developments to take advantage of a streamlined, ministerial approval process. The measure would extend the 2026 sunset on SB 35 to 2036, apply SB 35 provisions to the Coastal Zone, allow the state to approve housing developments on property they own or lease and prohibit a city from enforcing its inclusionary housing ordinance if the income limits are higher than those in SB 35. The bill was also recently amended to require a skilled and trained workforce for mixed-use income projects above 85 feet and provides that the skilled and trained requirement will be waived if a project wither has a Project Labor Agreement or if the project developer cannot get bids from at least 3 qualified subcontractors.	Bill was amended in the Assembly Housing Committee with clarifying changes to the labor provisions of the bill. The bill now moves to the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.	OPPOSE
SB 706	Caballero	This bill would authorize all cities, counties, city and counties, or special districts to use the progressive design-build process for other projects in addition to water-related projects. The bill would change the required reporting date to no later than December 31, 2028. Would permanently allow local governments to use design-build processes.	Amended: 06/28/2023	SUPPORT
SB 747	Caballero	Land use: economic development: surplus land. This bill makes several changes to the Surplus Land Act (SLA), including amending key definitions, modifying procedure and modifying HCD's authority over the SLA. The bill passed out of the Senate Housing Committee this week with several changes including excluding leases of 15 years or less from the SLA, requiring that cities can use the economic exemptions in the bill only if they have a compliant housing element and removing the conclusive	2023-06-30 - Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.	SUPPORT

		standards provision from the bill. The bill is part of a larger discussion on updating the SLA. Recent amendments include The was recently amended to allow local agencies with a compliant housing element to declare some lands exempt from the Surplus Land Act.		
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