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California State Assembly  
Committee on Local Government  
1020 N Street, Room 157  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Opposition to AB 1710 (Carrillo) – Housing developments: ordinances, policies, and standards.**

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

On behalf of the City of La Verne, I write to oppose AB 1710, which significantly expands vesting protections for housing developments and limits the ability of public agencies to apply updated regulations over time.

While the intent of providing certainty in the development process is understood, housing projects often experience lengthy timelines from application to construction. During this time, conditions on the ground can change significantly, including updates to environmental standards, infrastructure requirements, and public safety regulations. By locking in rules at the time of application and extending those protections to state and regional agencies, AB 1710 would require projects to proceed under outdated standards, even when newer regulations are necessary to address evolving community needs and compliance obligations.

This approach creates practical challenges for local governments and partner agencies responsible for ensuring that development aligns with current infrastructure capacity, environmental protections, and public safety considerations. It also increases the likelihood of conflicts where agencies are required to adopt new regulations but are unable to apply them to projects already in progress, resulting in inconsistencies across projects and jurisdictions.

Ultimately, AB 1710 prioritizes rigid regulatory certainty over the flexibility needed to responsibly manage long-term development. Cities must retain the ability to respond to changing conditions and apply updated standards to ensure that projects are safe, sustainable, and compatible with the community.

For these reasons, the City of La Verne respectfully urges your opposition to AB 1710.

Sincerely,

Tim Hepburn  
Mayor

CC: La Verne City Council