



City of Huntington Beach

File #: 22-654

MEETING DATE: 8/2/2022

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Al Zelinka, City Manager

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PREPARED BY: Catherine Jun, Assistant to the City Manager

Subject:

Consider positions on local policy issues, as recommended by the Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Statement of Issue:

On July 20, 2022, the Intergovernmental Relations Committee (IRC), comprised of Mayor Barbara Delgleize, Mayor Pro Tem Mike Posey, and Council Member Dan Kalmick, discussed legislative items with relevance to Huntington Beach. Following discussion, the IRC chose to take positions on two policy issues, which are presented to the City Council for consideration.

Financial Impact:

Not Applicable

Recommended Action:

Consider one or more actions on the following policy issues proposed by the IRC:

- A) Adopt Resolution No. 2022-53 - "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach in Support of the Action for Spent Fuel Now Coalition" and/or;
- B) Submit a Letter of Support for Environment America's Solar on Superstores Initiative.

Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve one or more recommended action, and direct staff accordingly.

Analysis:

On July 20, 2022, the IRC reviewed and discussed various legislative and regional issues with relevance to Huntington Beach policies and priorities, as defined by City Council. The following is a summary of the items the IRC took positions on and are presented to City Council for consideration:

1. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-XX - Action for Spent Fuel Now Coalition

Spent nuclear fuel continues to remain stored at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), rather than being permanently relocated offsite. Action for Spent Fuel Now Coalition is comprised of local representatives, utilities, business organizations and community members that are encouraging the federal government to fulfill its obligation to permanently relocate the spent fuel to an offsite location away from the California coastline. The IRC recommends the City to adopt a resolution formally supporting the Coalition's efforts. A fact sheet and draft Resolution are attached for consideration.

2. SUPPORT LETTER - Issue a Letter of Support for Environment America's Solar on Superstores Initiative

Environment America's Solar on Superstores initiative partners with big box stores to install solar technologies on their rooftops and parking lots to produce energy that can offset their energy use while contributing towards a greener electrical grid. The initiative is encouraging local jurisdictions including Huntington Beach to ask Walmart to join in this effort by installing solar panels on their properties. A draft letter of support is attached for consideration.

Environmental Status:

Not applicable

Strategic Plan Goal:

Non Applicable - Administrative Item

Attachment(s):

1. Background Information on SONGS and Resolution No. 2022-XX - "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach in Support of the Action for Spent Fuel Now Coalition"
2. Executive Summary on Environment America's Solar on Superstores Initiative and a Proposed Letter of Support for City Council Consideration