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November 18, 2020

The Honorable Rex Richardson, President  
Southern California Association of Governments  
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1700  
Los Angeles, California 90017

**SUBJECT: City of Temple City Support for Request to Convene a Special Closed Meeting of the SCAG Regional Council to Discuss the Recommendations of the SCAG RHNA Litigation Committee**

Dear Honorable SCAG President Richardson:

The City of Temple City has been monitoring the information and discussions raised by cities throughout the SCAG region on whether the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) followed housing law in issuing a housing need of 1.34 million units to the SCAG region. In its objection letter dated September 18, 2019, SCAG expressed significant concerns regarding the allocation of 1.34 million new housing units to the region. After issuing this letter, SCAG established the RHNA Litigation Committee in late 2019 to consider available actions or options to address the region's unprecedented housing allocation.

Since that time, and at the request of SCAG RHNA Subcommittee Chair Peggy Huang, the City understands that you reconvened the SCAG RHNA Litigation Committee. And that the meeting held on November 2, 2020 to continue discussions concerning this issue. It was reported out at the November 4, 2020 meeting of the SCAG Executive/Administration Committee meeting and the November 5, 2020 meeting of the SCAG Regional Council that there was a consensus of the RHNA Litigation Committee that SCAG will not pursue any litigation against HCD.

At the November 5, 2020 Regional Council meeting, two Regional Council members requested a special closed session of the SCAG Regional Council to discuss the recommendation of the RHNA Litigation Committee and receive the information presented to the RHNA Litigation Committee. We understand that you have requested additional feedback from SCAG members agencies concerning the recommendation from the RHNA Litigation Committee and the desire to conduct a closed session meeting.

The City of Temple City is responding to your request. We support the request that the SCAG Regional Council conduct a special closed meeting to discuss the RHNA Litigation Committee's recommendation. As a SCAG member jurisdiction, we feel this discussion has direct relevance to our jurisdiction and our RHNA allocation and merits the Regional Council's additional consideration. The City of Temple City did submit an appeal to the SCAG RHNA Subcommittee to dispute the housing allocation required of our jurisdiction. We believe that the factual and policy considerations demonstrated in our RHNA appeal provide SCAG with evidence to consider this matter further.

Hence, the City respectfully requests that the SCAG Regional Council conduct a special closed meeting as soon as possible. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bryan Cook', written in a cursive style.

Bryan Cook  
City Manager  
City of Temple City

Attachment: Copy of Temple City RHNA appeal

cc: Kome Ajise, SCAG Executive Director  
SCAG RC District 35 Representative Hon. Margaret E. Finlay of Duarte  
San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments