



# City of Hermosa Beach

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TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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executiveoffice@bos.lacounty.gov

CC: Los Angeles County Chief Executive Officer  
The Honorable Mayor and City Council of Redondo Beach

**RE: Support for the City of Redondo Beach's Application and Los Angeles County's Participation in the Formation of an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District for the AES Redondo Site**

Dear Chair Kuehl and Members of the Board,

The Hermosa Beach City Council would like to voice our support for the City of Redondo Beach's application to and request for participation from the County of Los Angeles to form an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) for the AES Redondo Site to provide funding for infrastructure such as parks, wetlands restoration, site clean-up, and other related public amenities on the site. As this 51-acre property sits directly adjacent to the southern border of Hermosa Beach, the City of Hermosa Beach has a vested interest in how the site is redeveloped in the future.

Between 2015 and 2016, the City of Hermosa Beach engaged as an intervenor in proceedings held by the California Energy Commission related to the AES site providing support to Redondo Beach based on the City's shared concerns about the various impacts of a potential new power plant.

Since that time, AES has proposed to retire the generating units and has been seeking interested buyers for the site. In November 2017, Redondo Beach Mayor Bill Brand was joined by Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn and South Bay Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi as they outlined their strategy to acquire as much of the 51-acre property as possible, with the City of Redondo Beach informing AES of its interest in acquiring all or a portion of the property for open space uses. At their April 17, 2018 meeting, the Redondo Beach City Council voted to initiate discussions with your board on the County's participation in the EIFD and authorized staff to submit their EIFD application to your Chief Executive Officer.

The Hermosa Beach City Council believes that the formation of an EIFD by the City of Redondo Beach in partnership with Los Angeles County would provide the City and County with an effective financing mechanism to leverage funding to provide infrastructure such as parks, wetlands restoration, site clean-up, and other public amenities that may not otherwise be



politically or financially feasible through other finance or bonding tools. By enhancing the provision of parks and open space, improving water quality, and enhancing access to the coast, the formation of an EIFD will provide significant community benefits not only to Redondo Beach but the entire South Bay community. It should be further noted that the projects proposed to be funded through an EIFD align with the City of Hermosa Beach's vision of a community that enjoys a high quality of life, vibrant local economy, and healthy environment and lifestyles.

Should you have any questions, please contact John Jalili, Interim City Manager at [jjalili@hermosabch.org](mailto:jjalili@hermosabch.org) or 310.318.0216.

Sincerely,

Jeff Duclos,

Mayor, City of Hermosa Beach