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**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: MAINTAINING LOCAL CONTROL OF ENERGY SOLUTIONS 1. APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2019- 08 TO MAINTAIN LOCAL CONTROL OF ENERGY SOLUTIONS FOR CITY OF IMPERIAL RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES.	
DEPARTMENT INVOLVED: CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE	
BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: The City of Imperial staff is requesting Council's consideration in the adoption of Resolution NO. 2019- 08 in an effort to maintain local control of energy solutions. The State of California has introduced a number of new energy policies in efforts to achieve the state's goal in reducing greenhouse gas emissions. The City agrees that the need for clean, affordable and reliable energy is necessary to attract and retain local businesses, create jobs, and spur economic growth. This resource is vital to our City's success in a highly competitive and increasingly regional and global marketplace. However, mandates such as building and vehicle technology eliminate local control and customer choice, suppress innovation, reduce reliability and increase costs for residents and businesses. We hope that the adoption of this resolution will send a message to the legislature to curb their over-reach of local controls and keep the choice of energy solutions within local control. Please see the attached resolution for more information on the proposed position.	
FISCAL IMPACT: N/A	FINANCE INITIALS <u>Dee</u>
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: It is Staff's recommendation for the City Council to adopt the proposed resolution.	DEPT. INITIALS <u>al</u>
MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: It is the City Manager's recommendation to adopt the proposed resolution in an effort to curb the over-reach of legislative efforts to reduce the local control of energy solutions that can hinder the City's growth both in economic development and residential.	CITY MANAGER'S INITIALS <u>D</u>
MOTION: SECONDED: AYES: NAYES: ABSENT:	
APPROVED () REJECTED () DISAPPROVED () DEFERRED () REFERRED TO:	

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 –

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF IMPERIAL,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA, TO MAINTAIN LOCAL CONTROL OF ENERGY
SOLUTIONS**

WHEREAS California's energy policies are critical to reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reducing the impact of climate change on our citizens; and

WHEREAS the state legislature and state agencies are increasingly proposing new legislation and regulations eliminating choice of energy by mandating technologies to power buildings and public and private fleets, including transit and long-haul trucking, as a strategy to achieve the state's climate goals; and

WHEREAS clean, affordable and reliable energy is crucial to the material health, safety and well-being of City of Imperial residents, particularly the most vulnerable, who live on fixed incomes, including the elderly and working families who are struggling financially; and

WHEREAS the need for clean, affordable and reliable energy to attract and retain local businesses, create jobs and spur economic development is vital to our city's success in a highly competitive and increasingly regional and global marketplace; and

WHEREAS The City of Imperial, its residents and businesses value local control and the right to choose the policies and investments that most affordably and efficiently enable them to comply with state requirements; and

WHEREAS building and vehicle technology mandates eliminate local control and customer choice, suppress innovation, reduce reliability and unnecessarily increase costs for City of Imperial residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS the City understands that relying on a single energy delivery system unnecessarily increases vulnerabilities to natural and man-made disasters, and that a diversity of energy delivery systems and resources contribute to greater reliability and community resilience; and

WHEREAS the City of Imperial understands the need to mitigate the impacts of climate change and is committed to doing its part to help the state achieve its climate goals, but requires the flexibility to do so in a manner that best serves the needs of its residents and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Imperial, as follows:

That the City supports balanced energy solutions that provide it with the decision-making authority and resources needed to achieve the state's climate goals, and opposes proposed state legislation and policy that eliminate local control by mandating technologies that can be used to power buildings and fuel vehicles, and also meet or exceed emissions reductions regulations.

PASSED AND ADOPTED ____ day of March 2019.

Robert Amparano, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debra Jackson, City Clerk



A Balanced Energy Approach that Can Work for Everyone

Making California's future **renewable**

Electrification sounds like a simple solution, but the challenges are big and complex

Governing Law – SB32

By 2030, reduce
GHG emissions

40%

below 1990 levels

**Storage
Reliability
Cost**

LOVE YOUR CHILDREN?
Then,
CLIMATE CHANGE IS
PERSONAL!!!

ACT
NOW

LOOK AT
OUR FUTURE

Consumers

want choice

<10%

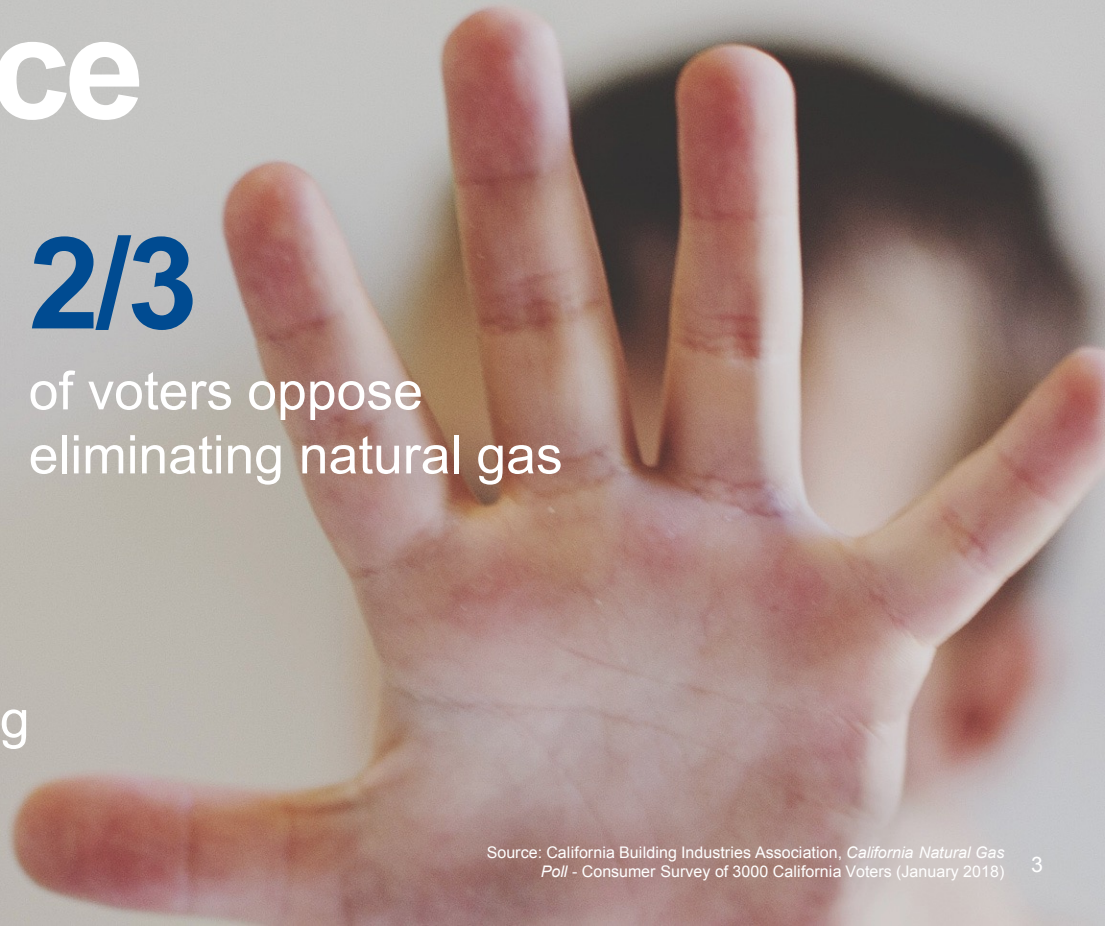
of voters would choose
an all-electric home

2/3

of voters oppose
eliminating natural gas

80%

of voters oppose prohibiting
the use of gas appliances



Electrification will further burden people

Costing the typical

California family:

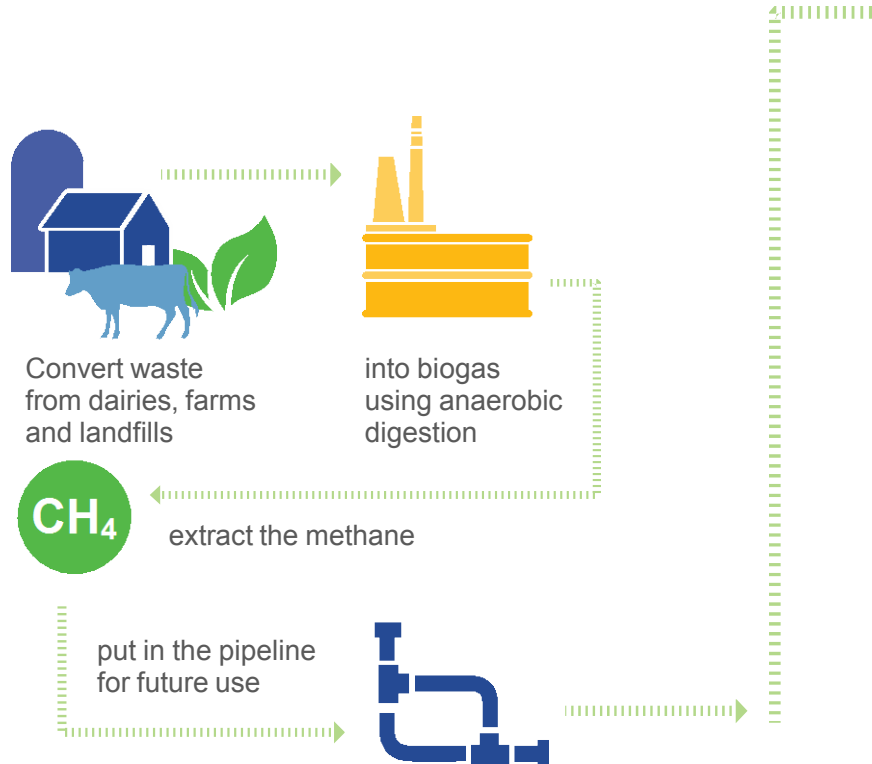
\$7,200

to retrofit
your home

\$388/yr

more in
energy bills

Renewable Natural Gas will help us reach our goals



Meet the same GHG reductions as the current plan to electrify 30% of homes and buildings with

5% RNG



Achieve the same GHG reductions as overhauling 100% of CA's buildings to all electricity with

16% RNG



Using RNG

3x or more

cost effective than ANY electrification scenario

The point



You shouldn't have to choose between doing what's right for the environment and what your family can afford.

And with a balanced energy approach, you don't have to.

Here's what you can do



Pay attention
to the issue
and learn more



Use SoCalGas
Public Affairs
team as a
resource



Consider the
full and real
implications to
your community
members



Stand up for
local control –
don't let the
state mandate
building codes