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Development Services Department

Building Division

December 7th, 2020

Mr. Drew Bohan
Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
Sacramento, Ca 95814-5514

Re: Application for Approval of Chula Vista's Existing Home Energy Sustainability Ordinance (EHESO)

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Please approve the enclosed ordinance pursuant to Public Resources Code Subsection 25402.1(h)(2). At its regular meeting on November 17th, 2020 the City Council conducted a public hearing and approved the enclosed Energy Efficiency Local Ordinance, 3495. The second reading was held on December 1st, 2020. At its meeting, City Council made the determination that mandating the enclosed ordinance will save energy and is cost effective. Enclosed with this application are the following:

1. Existing Home Energy Sustainability Ordinance 3495 which includes requirements for local energy standards that go beyond the baseline energy code. The ordinance also includes findings that the proposed standards will save energy, be cost effective, and will not require buildings to consume more energy than permitted by the current California Energy Code.
2. Staff report
3. 2019 Cost-Effectiveness Study: Existing Low-rise Residential Building Efficiency Upgrade. This report includes cost effectiveness analysis that the City based its findings on, showing that the proposed standards are cost effective and will save energy.

The City of Chula Vista is committed to enforcing the Title 24, Part 6 Building Energy Efficiency Standards as part of the implementation of our local energy ordinance. In addition, we affirm that the EHESO Ordinance will require buildings to be designed to consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on enforcement of the energy standards.

The approved ordinance includes a determination that the requirements are intended to preserve and enhance the environment of the City of Chula Vista and is not subject to the

CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, because there is no possibility that the ordinance may have a significant negative impact on the environment. In addition, it was determined that the ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, which exempts actions taken by regulatory agencies for the enhancement and protection of the environment.

Sincerely,

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