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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

GLENDAL CITY COUNCIL 10/22/2024

TWELVE BILLS WERE PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR:

- **AB 761 - Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts**: Allows Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) to fund transit projects to utilize a longer maximum term for financing by extending the term from 45 years to 75 years to align with the newly extended maximum term of a Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation loan established by the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021.
- **AB 810 – Postsecondary Education Hiring Practices**: Provides an additional layer of protection for campus community by providing another tool for human resource officers to engage with previous employers to ascertain whether the applicant has sustained allegations of misconduct while employed by their previous employer.
- **AB 1868 - Affordable Housing Assessments**: Creates statewide uniformity in assessing deed-restricted properties sold to and occupied by low-income, first-time homebuyers, and applies the property tax assessment consistently and more proportionately, on deed-restricted properties sold to these households.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR- CONTINUED

- **AB 1889 – Wildlife and Habitat Connectivity:** Helps protect California wildlife and climate resilience by establishing a state policy that requires local governments to consider and implement measures to protect and improve wildlife connectivity through land use planning. The bill requires local governments to consider and minimize impacts to wildlife movement and habitat connectivity as part of the conservation element of their general plan in consultation with state and local agencies.
- **AB 1963 – Paraquat Dichloride:** - Paraquat is a highly toxic herbicide, or weed-killer, commonly used in California on nut crops like almonds, pistachios, and walnuts, as well as other crops, including grapes, cotton, soybean, and corn. AB 1963 requires the Department of Pesticide Regulation to complete a reevaluation of the herbicide by January 1, 2029 and determine if it should be banned, face further restrictions on its use, or allow it to continue to be used as it is today.
- **AB 2297 - Hospital and Emergency Physician Fair Pricing:** Modernizes the Hospital Fair Pricing Act to better protect patients and their families by prohibiting liens on homes to collect unpaid medical bills and improving access to financial assistance

BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR - CONTINUED

- **AB 2552 - Pesticides: Anticoagulant Rodenticides:** Places a moratorium on some of the most dangerous rodenticides, which cause widespread poisoning of wildlife, with exceptions to protect public health and agriculture. The bill creates an enforcement mechanism that empowers the Attorney General and other government entities enforce the illegal use or sale of anticoagulant rodenticides.
- **AB 2553 - Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program: Round 3:** Ensures that the unhoused community utilizing transportation for safety purposes receive reach out to get them services they so desperately need.
- **AB 2712 – Preferential Parking Privileges:** Prohibits the City of Los Angeles from issuing any permit conferring preferential parking privileges to any resident, vendor or visitor of any developments within 1/2 mile of public transit and exempt from parking minimums

BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR- CONTINUED

- **AB 2801 – Security Deposits:** Ensures that the security deposits of tenants are not used to subsidize upgrades to the unit once vacated. By adding more safeguards to the handling of security deposits this bill aims to strike the balance of clarifying what the landlord and tenant are each responsible for under current law
- **AB 2875 – Wetlands:** Declares that it is the policy of the state to ensure no net loss and long-term gain in the quantity, quality, and permanence of wetlands acreage and values in California
- **AB 2925 – Equity in Higher Education Act:** Addresses the increased incidents of antisemitism on college campuses by requiring that campuses include training to combat and address antisemitism as part of any antidiscrimination training or diversity, equity and inclusion training that is already offered by the institution

2024 KEY BUDGET ITEMS

- \$2.83 billion in one-time funds for child care reimbursement increases
- 5% ongoing increases to UC and CSU, supports 12,000 more spots for Californians at UC and CSU
- \$556.298 million for an 8.22 percent COLA to statutorily-required TK-12 programs
- \$762 million to expand Universal Transitional Kindergarten
- \$110 million increase in the 2022-23 Budget Year, and \$154 million increase in the 2023-24 Budget Year, to cover the full costs of California's universal meal program.
- \$227 million one-time General Fund for the Middle Class Scholarship program
- Increased funding for the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program

BUDGET VICTORIES - GLENDALE

Glendale

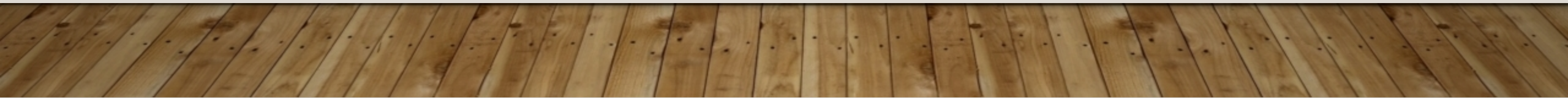
2017: \$20 million for the LA-Garden River Bridge

2021: \$10 million for the LA-Garden River Bridge

2022: \$14.695 million to fund library renovations, open space preservation, active transportation infrastructure improvements along the Verdugo Wash and crucial equipment for wildfire mitigation.

- Verdugo Wash Visioning Project/Active Transportation Infrastructure- \$6 million
- Fuels Crew Initiative - purchase of a transport vehicle and a complete cache of tools and equipment - \$100,000
- Mountain Oaks Open Space Preservation - \$2.5 million
- Glendale Central Library Renovation - \$6.095 million

2023: \$933,000 for the City of Glendale Fremont Park Renovation



2024 NON-PROFIT OF THE YEAR

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