

## CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

February 24, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

Submitted By: Mark J. Gluba, Deputy City Manager

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY - CONSIDERATION OF A

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF H.R. 763 (DEUTCH) THE ENERGY

INNOVATION AND CARBON DIVIDEND ACT OF 2019

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Adopt the draft Resolution, as proposed (Attachment 1), and;
- 2) Authorize staff to disseminate the executed Resolution to the appropriate Federal Legislators.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

At the February 3, 2020, Council Meeting, Councilmember Garcia expressed the desire for the City to take a formal position in support of H.R. 763, also known as the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 20193 (Attachment 2). The City Council reached consensus to place the item on this evening's Agenda for Council consideration. Should this item be approved, staff will disseminate the executed Resolution to the appropriate Federal Legislators.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

**PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION:** At their Meeting on February 3, 2020, the Council, by consensus, directed staff to place consideration of taking an official position in support of H.R. 763, as proposed, on the next City Council Agenda.

## **DISCUSSION:**

As proposed, H.R. 763, also known as The Energy Innovation and would create a Carbon Dividend Trust Fund to encourage market-driven innovation of clean energy technologies in an effort to combat pollution & global warming and generate a healthier, more sustainable nation. Approval of H.R. 763 would necessitate amendment of the Federal Internal Revenue Code through the creation of new carbon fees and associated revenues. The legislation outlines a program, utilizing

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the proposed revenues, to encourage innovation to meet targeted specified progressive emission reduction levels.

Should the City Council approves this Resolution, staff will forward the executed Resolution to the appropriate Federal legislators and other interested parties.

Attachments: 1 – Draft Resolution No. 2020-19

2 – H.R. 763 Legislative Text

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