Jose Huizar was elected to the Los Angeles City Council’s 14th District in 2005 and overwhelmingly re-elected in 2007, 2011 and what will be his final term, 2015.

Councilmember Huizar has been fearless in creating policies that are moving the City of Los Angeles forward. He championed successful efforts to address homelessness and the affordable housing crisis, protect the environment, increase park space, advance innovative transportation policies, and revitalize Downtown Los Angeles. He has fought to bring new resources to the communities he represents, including Boyle Heights, El Sereno, Northeast Los Angeles and Downtown Los Angeles.

In his zest to assist those in need, Councilmember Huizar helped establish the City’s first-ever committee on Homelessness and as chair of the committee co-authored and adopted the City’s first-ever Comprehensive Strategic Plan to Combat Homelessness. In implementing the Plan, Councilmember Huizar was one of the architects and leaders in the campaign to adopt the voter-approved Measure HHH, which will provide $1.2 billion over 10 years to build 10,000 units of permanent supportive housing.

On the environmental front, he led efforts to ban plastic bags, dramatically increase the Department Water and Power’s energy efficiency program, significantly increase solar power operations, and commit the City to getting off a coal energy use by 2025. Councilmember Huizar is also one of the City’s leading “Complete Streets” proponents. He ushered in groundbreaking pedestrian and bike-friendly policies that are seen as the model for the entire City.

As a strong proponent for economic development and creating cultural destination points, Councilmember Huizar has steadfastly helped revitalize Downtown Los Angeles by increasing and reimagining its public spaces and promoting its economic and residential growth. Through his 10-year Bringing Back Broadway initiative, Councilmember Huizar assisted in the historical preservation of the beautiful corridor, reinvigorated 6 of its 12 historic theaters, and has created a framework to bring the beloved Streetcar back to the City of Los Angeles.

Councilmember Huizar has been awarded numerous awards and distinctions, including profiles by the Los Angeles Business Journal as one of the 25 figures in the Los Angeles Area that “stand out for their potential to shape lives” and by Hispanic Business Magazine as one of the “100 most influential Hispanics” in the United States.