



Sunnyvale

2019 Priority Issues, Legislative Advocacy Positions (LAPs), and Long-term Advocacy Positions

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Definitions

- **Priority Issue**- “hot” issues where legislative activity is either already underway or imminent and expected to have significant impact on City business.
- **Legislative Advocacy Positions (LAPs)**- positions, not covered by existing City Policy, that are taken and used by Council and staff throughout the year to determine City position on legislation and intergovernmental issues that year.
- **Long-term Advocacy Positions**- are adopted Council policy positions that are ongoing.



Purpose of Process

- Council identifies Priority Issues and Legislative Advocacy Positions for the year.
- Focus advocacy efforts on issues of most importance and impact on City business.
- Inform staff and Council of official Council positions regarding intergovernmental and/or legislative matters.
- Allows for quick response on pending legislation and intergovernmental matters.

Existing Priority Issues

1. Investment Funding and Local Control for Workforce Development
2. Interoperability/Public Safety Communications System
3. Environmental Regulatory & Conservation Issues
4. Regional and State-wide Water Supply Issues
5. Local Authority Over Wireless Telecommunications Facilities
6. School Mitigation Fees
7. Regional Transportation Plan: Taxicabs/Network Companies
8. Massage Therapy
9. Anticipated Legislation regarding the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems by Law Enforcement and First Responder Immunity when interfering with Unmanned Aircraft Systems
10. Medical Marijuana/Recreational Marijuana
11. Affordable Housing/Homelessness
12. Engagement with the Federal Aviation Administration Regarding Airplane Noise

Proposed Priority Issue

- Local Government Financing to Support Public Infrastructure, Including Affordable Housing:
 - ♦ ACA1 (Aguiar-Curry)- Constitutional amendment that would reduce the local vote threshold for approval of bond and special tax measures from two-thirds vote to a 55% majority.
 - ♦ Amendment would provide cities with expanded funding options for critical infrastructure projects.



Council Direction

- Review existing and proposed Priority Issues and LAPs
 - ◆ Are they still relevant issues to the City?
 - ◆ Are they still advocacy priority for the year?
 - ◆ Should any be deleted? Adopted formally as a Long-term Advocacy Position?
 - ◆ Adopt any new Priority issues?
- Long-term Advocacy Positions
 - ◆ Approve staff edits





Thank you

Questions?