

List of 2020 Formal Written City Advocacy

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Federal	2020	H.R. 6467 (Neguse) - Coronavirus Community Relief Act	To provide for an enhanced Coronavirus relief fund for units of government with a population of 500,000 or less, and for other purposes.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
Federal	2020	H.R. 6800 (Lowey) - The Heroes Act	This bill responds to the COVID-19 (i.e., coronavirus disease 2019) outbreak and its impact on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
Federal	2020	Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)	The Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) restricts auto dialing to mobile phones without prior express consent. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) recognized that the government is not a “person”, but limited protection only to the federal government. The City sought assistance from its federal legislators in helping to provide parity for state and local officials under the TCPA.	N/A	Council Policy 7.2.16 Telecommunications
Federal	2020	Coronavirus Relief Package	Support \$500 billion in direct and flexible federal assistance to local governments of all sizes to sustain core services for residents and to support economic recovery in communities. Cities need Congress to deliver assistance with no minimum population threshold determining eligibility for funding. Recovery from this unprecedented crisis will only be realized at the local level with strong support from the federal government.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
Federal	2020	S.3548 (McConnell) - CARES Act	To provide emergency assistance and health care response for individuals, families, and businesses affected by the 2020 coronavirus pandemic.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
Regional	2020	COVID-19 Testing	The Mayors of Santa Clara County request accelerated action to ramp up COVID-19 testing, a critical prerequisite for economic re-opening.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
Regional	2020	Proposed Treated Water Surcharge	The City opposed the proposed increase in treated water surcharge from \$100 per acre-foot (AF) to \$200 per AF and requested that Valley Water reevaluate the proposed treated water surcharge.	Oppose	Council Policy 3.0 Long-Term Advocacy Positions - Environmental Management
Regional	2020	Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) CARES Phase 2 Funding	Letter to James P. Spering, Chair, MTC Blue Ribbon Transit Recovery Task Force to vote on original Option 2b, Assumption 1 that was presented to the General Managers of the transit agencies for the second phase of Federal CARES Act funding instead of the option being presented for the June 29, 2020 meeting. The modification to the original option would further reduce the allocation of funds to Santa Clara County’s Valley Transportation Authority (VTA).	Support	Council Policy 1.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions - Land Use and Transportation

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Regional	2020	Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program	Support for the Draft Community Preferred Plan (the Plan) that would be implemented should the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program be renewed, and urge the Valley Water Board of Directors to adopt the Plan and place the renewal of that program on the November 2020 ballot.	Support	Council Policy 3.0 Long-Term Advocacy Positions - Environmental Management; General Plan Enviromental Management Element
Regional	2020	Proposed Wholesale Water Rate Increase FY 2020-21	The City requested that the Board suspend any proposed wholesale water increases for FY 2020-2021, due to the adverse impact of these increases on residents and businesses.	Oppose	Council Policy 3.0 Long-Term Advocacy Positions - Environmental Management
Regional	2020	Caltrain 1/8-cent Sales Tax Ballot Measure	Support for Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board's (Caltrain's) efforts to allow voters to consider a one-eighth cent sales tax in the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara for the purpose of operating, maintaining and improving Caltrain commuter rail service.	Support	Council Policy 1.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions - Land Use and Transportation
Regional	2020	VTA Board Agenda Item 6.3 State Route 85 Investment Strategy	Adopt the recommendation of the SR 85 Policy Advisory Board (PAB), also as supported by VTA's Capital Program Committee (CPC) on August 27, 2020 and the Congestion Management Program and Planning (CMPP) Committee on September 17, 2020 to move forward with the Long Median Transit Lane Alternative 3.2.	Support	Council Policy 1.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions - Land Use and Transportation
Regional	2020	Calabazas-San Tomas Aquino-A8 Ponds Reconnection and Restoration Project	Support for the Santa Clara Valley Water District's grant application seeking funding assistance for the Calabazas-San Tomas Aquino-A8 Ponds Reconnection and Restoration Project, the first creek-bay reconnection project in the lower South San Francisco Bay.	Support	General Plan Safety and Noise Element General Plan Enviromental Management Element
Regional	2020	2016 Measure B 10-Year Outlook Base Scenario	The City of Sunnyvale urged VTA staff and the Board of Directors to reevaluate the initial 10-year Base Scenario either with a revision based on comments received or with the future recommendation from the TAC subcommittee that is more balanced and supportive of the work and priorities of all agencies within the County.	N/A	Council Policy 1.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions - Land Use and Transportation
State	2020	COVID-19 Fiscal Impacts to Sunnyvale	The City of Sunnyvale called on the State to provide immediate support. The City of Sunnyvale faces significant revenue shortfalls that will impact our core city services, including public safety services, parks services, street and sidewalk repairs, tree maintenance, and library services.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
State	2020	CARES Act Funding	CARES Act funding provides cities the ability to recover from this pandemic faster, and reopen our communities without furthering city revenue shortfalls and threatening core city services. The City called on the Legislature and the Governor to increase the state's CARES Act funding allocation to cities to \$500 million and establish a floor allocation of \$50,000 per city.	Support	Council Policy 2.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Community Development; Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management

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State	2020	Excess ERAF Calculation Penalty and Retroactive Revenue Shift	The City of Sunnyvale opposed the Administration's proposal, contained within the May Revision Amendments to the Education Omnibus Trailer Bill, to retroactively shift property taxes from counties, cities, and special districts to the State, apply civil penalties to audited, good-faith actions of county officials, and install the Department of Finance as the oversight body over a single piece of the complicated process of allocating property taxes.	Oppose	Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
State	2020	SB 1431 (Glazer) Property taxation: reassessment: disaster relief.	This measure would require county assessors to reassess certain types of properties based on their ability to generate income from renters during the COVID-19 emergency due to eviction controls ordered statewide by the Governor’s Executive Order. This measure would be retroactive to April 5, 2020.	Oppose	Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management
State	2020	SB 50 (Wiener) Planning and zoning: housing development: streamlined approval: incentives.	The City of Sunnyvale continues to oppose SB 50 unless the bill is significantly amended to address key concerns. Agree with the fundamental problem—there are not enough homes being built in California; however, SB 50, as recently amended, eliminates most of the flexibility needed by Sunnyvale to meet the State’s housing goals while also encouraging community input and engagement.	Oppose	Priority Issue - Affordable Housing and Homelessness; General Plan Housing Element
State	2020	AB 1672 (Bloom) Solid waste: premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes.	Establishes standardized labeling practices for single-use wet wipes to provide clear and consistent consumer information about what products are not safe to flush.	Support	Council Policy 3.0 Long-Term Advocacy Positions - Environmental Management
State	2020	AB 3005 (R.Rivas) Leroy Anderson Dam and Reservoir: permitting, environmental review, and public contracting.	The bill would expedite the expert removal and replacement of the Leroy Anderson Dam and Reservoir.	Support	Council Policy 3.0 Long-Term Advocacy Positions - Environmental Management
State	2020	SB 1173 (Durazo) Public employment: labor relations: employee information.	This bill would create new types of damages in litigation against public agencies at a time of extreme social and economic uncertainty. The City of Sunnyvale is deeply concerned that there will be an abundance of unfair labor practice claims when there are other remedies that can be pursued.	Oppose	Council Policy 7.0 Long-term Advocacy Positions – Planning and Management