



SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, December 5, 2016
5:45 p.m.

Conference Room 303 · Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

32ND DISTRICT LEGISLATORS

1. **CALL TO ORDER** 5:45 p.m.
2. **2017 Legislative Session Preview**
 - Budget Outlook
 - State Share Revenue
 - Legislator's Priority Issues
3. **Draft Shoreline Legislative Agenda**
 - Review & Discussion
4. **ADJOURNMENT** 6:45 p.m.

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Memorandum

DATE: December 5, 2016

TO: City Council
Debbie Tarry, City Manager

FROM: Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Relations Manager

RE: Dinner Meeting with 32nd District Legislators

The 2017 Legislative Session is quickly approaching, which is the beginning of the 2017-2019 Biennium. This memo is a brief primer for the dinner meeting where staff and the 32nd District Legislators will both preview the upcoming 2017 Legislative Session and individual delegation members' priorities and discuss Shoreline's draft 2017 Legislative Priorities. The draft priorities are attached to the staff report on tonight's regular Council meeting agenda for your review as part of this conversation.

The discussion will include an overall preview of the session, along with a discussion of legislator's individual priority issues. We will also review and discuss the City's draft 2017 Legislative Priorities with the delegation to inform and receive feedback.

For a full session preview and description of the City's draft Legislative Priorities, please see the associated staff report, which staff will use as part of the discussion.

2017 State Legislative Session Preview

The 2016 Legislative Session, expected to be a short session, wound up in special session to pass a supplemental budget. With 2017 being the beginning of the 2017-2019 biennial budget, and given the magnitude of the budget gap to address the McLeary Decision and the political divide for how to fix it, no one expects the session to end on time.

Staff anticipates all state distributions to cities will be closely scrutinized as the Legislature scours every line item to help them make a multi-billion dollar investment in the state's K-12 education system per the Washington Supreme

Court's McCleary decision. This could be a significant impact as Shoreline currently receives over \$2 million in state shared revenue. This includes infrastructure funding streams that have traditionally been available for city projects.

In addition, the delegation members also have priority issues to share with Council as part of the discussion. In past years, this has led to the city partnering and supporting issues raised by the delegation as part of our priorities.

Draft Priority Issues

In attending the AWC regional meetings and in other legislative meetings with officials from around the state, it's clear that large city issues are very similar and are not focused solely in the Puget Sound Region. The City's priorities are intended to stimulate discussion with the delegation and to inform them of issues we will be working on down in Olympia throughout the session. They include:

- Local Funding Sustainability - Staff has consistently heard about the challenges cities are facing with general fund revenues over the next few years. Shoreline has addressed some of this need through the renewal of the levy lid lift; however this will not fully address that need. This problem is compounded by the potential reduction in state shared revenues to cities.
- Affordable Housing, Homelessness and Human Services – Cities are experiencing a lack of affordable housing, increasing homelessness and increasing needs for human services, including improving the mental and behavioral health system.
- Public Health Services – Public health funding is in crisis and requires a dedicated funding source by investing in these critical, core services.
- Public Records – Revise the Public Records Act so cities can continue to provide open and transparent government.
- Human Services Safety Net – Increase non-regressive revenue sources to support the human services safety net to maintain existing levels of services.
- Infrastructure Funding – Restore funding for infrastructure funding that supports basic local infrastructure.