

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM
CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON

<p>AGENDA TITLE: Revised 2008 Legislative Priorities DEPARTMENT: City Manager's Office PRESENTED BY: Scott MacColl, Intergovernmental Program Manager</p>
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PROBLEM/ISSUE STATEMENT

The draft 2008 Statement of Legislative Priorities was presented to Council at the January 7, 2008 Council meeting. At that meeting, Councilmembers moved to slightly revise the draft priorities and place the revised 2008 Statement of Legislative Priorities on the January 14th, 2008 Consent Agenda. The revision added a reference in the 8th bullet to improved stormwater drainage and reduction in flooding.

Revised 2008 Legislative Priorities

- Pursue Funding for the City's Capital Improvement Projects.
- Oppose unfunded mandates that would result in loss of existing revenue or revenue authority.
- Support City Authority to provide municipal court services through interlocal agreements with other cities for the provision of court services and support ability to appoint part-time judges.
- Work with the State to ensure City participation in the redevelopment or other activities related to future uses of any surplus property on the Fircrest campus.
- Monitor health/human services legislation to ensure maintenance of the safety net for our most vulnerable residents and oppose legislation that would shift costs and responsibilities for these programs to cities and/or school districts without appropriate funding.
- Support legislation to increase exploration and use of renewable, sustainable and cleaner alternative energy resources.

- Oppose any state preemption of local government authority to manage and franchise local public rights-of-way.
- Support increased infrastructure funding for economic development and to repair and maintain utilities, streets and sidewalks, and to improve stormwater drainage capacity to reduce flooding.
- Support legislative opportunities to increase affordable housing.
- Support legislation to improve environmental sustainability including, but not limited to, carbon emission reduction, energy efficiency, alternative clean energy generation and improved surface water quality and habitat restoration.
- Support legislation that establishes a municipal property tax cap tied to the Implicit Price Deflator or 1%, whichever is greater.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council adopt the proposed Statement of Legislative Priorities.

Approved By: City Manager _____ City Attorney _____