

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

22-0017

AD HOC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL/VIDEO CONFERENCE
COUNCILMEMBER TENNELL ATKINS, PRESIDING

PRESENT: [5] Atkins, Narvaez, *McGough, Mendelsohn (**10:38 a.m.), Willis

ABSENT: [0]

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. with a quorum of the committee present.

The meeting agenda, posted in accordance with Chapter 551, "OPEN MEETINGS," of the Texas Government Code, was presented.

After all business properly brought before the committee had been considered, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Chair

ATTEST:

City Secretary Staff

Date Approved

The agenda is attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT A.

The actions taken on each matter considered by the committee are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT B.

The briefing materials are attached to the minutes of this meeting as EXHIBIT C.

*Note: Members of the Committee participated in this meeting by video conference.

** Note: Indicates arrival time after meeting called to order/reconvened.

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EXHIBIT A

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Ad Hoc Legislative Affairs Committee

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

1500 Marilla Street

City Council Chambers, 6EN

10:00 a.m.

General Information

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Rules of Courtesy

City Council meetings bring together citizens of many varied interests and ideas. To insure fairness and orderly meetings, the Council has adopted rules of courtesy which apply to all members of the Council, administrative staff, news media, citizens and visitors. These procedures provide:

- That no one shall delay or interrupt the proceedings, or refuse to obey the orders of the presiding officer.
- All persons should refrain from private conversation, eating, drinking and smoking while in the Council Chamber.
- Posters or placards must remain outside the Council Chamber.
- No cellular phones or audible beepers allowed in Council Chamber while City Council is in session.

"Citizens and other visitors attending City Council meetings shall observe the same rules of propriety, decorum and good conduct applicable to members of the City Council. Any person making personal, impertinent, profane or slanderous remarks or who becomes boisterous while addressing the City Council or while

Información General

El Ayuntamiento de la Ciudad de Dallas se reúne regularmente los miércoles en la Cámara del Ayuntamiento en el sexto piso de la Alcaldía, 1500 Marilla, a las 9 de la mañana. Las reuniones informativas se llevan a cabo el primer y tercer miércoles del mes. Estas audiencias se transmiten en vivo por la estación de radio WRR-FM 101.1 y por cablevisión en la estación *Time Warner City Cable* Canal 16. El Ayuntamiento Municipal se reúne en el segundo y cuarto miércoles del mes para tratar asuntos presentados de manera oficial en la agenda para su aprobación. Toda persona que desee hablar durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento, debe inscribirse llamando a la Secretaría Municipal al teléfono (214) 670-3738, antes de las 5:00 pm del último día hábil anterior a la reunión. Para enterarse del nombre de su representante en el Ayuntamiento Municipal y el distrito donde usted puede votar, favor de llamar a la Secretaría Municipal.

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Si tiene preguntas sobre esta agenda, o si desea hacer comentarios o presentar quejas con respecto a servicios de la Ciudad, llame al 311.

Reglas de Cortesía

Las asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal reúnen a ciudadanos de diversos intereses e ideologías. Para asegurar la imparcialidad y el orden durante las asambleas, el Ayuntamiento ha adoptado ciertas reglas de cortesía que aplican a todos los miembros del Ayuntamiento, al personal administrativo, personal de los medios de comunicación, a los ciudadanos, y a visitantes. Estos reglamentos establecen lo siguiente:

- Ninguna persona retrasará o interrumpirá los procedimientos, o se negará a obedecer las órdenes del oficial que preside la asamblea.
- Todas las personas deben abstenerse de entablar conversaciones, comer, beber y fumar dentro de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- Anuncios y pancartas deben permanecer fuera de la cámara del Ayuntamiento.
- No se permite usar teléfonos celulares o enlaces electrónicos (*paggers*) audibles en la cámara del Ayuntamiento durante audiencias del Ayuntamiento Municipal

"Los ciudadanos y visitantes presentes durante las

attending the City Council meeting shall be removed from the room if the sergeant-at-arms is so directed by the presiding officer, and the person shall be barred from further audience before the City Council during that session of the City Council. If the presiding officer fails to act, any member of the City Council may move to require enforcement of the rules, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the City Council shall require the presiding officer to act." Section 3.3(c) of the City Council Rules of Procedure.

asambleas del Ayuntamiento Municipal deben de obedecer las mismas reglas de comportamiento, decoro y buena conducta que se aplican a los miembros del Ayuntamiento Municipal. Cualquier persona que haga comentarios impertinentes, utilice vocabulario obsceno o difamatorio, o que al dirigirse al Ayuntamiento lo haga en forma escandalosa, o si causa disturbio durante la asamblea del Ayuntamiento Municipal, será expulsada de la cámara si el oficial que este presidiendo la asamblea así lo ordena. Además, se le prohibirá continuar participando en la audiencia ante el Ayuntamiento Municipal. Si el oficial que preside la asamblea no toma acción, cualquier otro miembro del Ayuntamiento Municipal puede tomar medidas para hacer cumplir las reglas establecidas, y el voto afirmativo de la mayoría del Ayuntamiento Municipal precisara al oficial que este presidiendo la sesión a tomar acción." Según la sección 3.3 (c) de las reglas de procedimientos del Ayuntamiento.

Handgun Prohibition Notice for Meetings **of Governmental Entities**

"Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.06 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola oculta), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola oculta."

"Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly."

"De acuerdo con la sección 30.07 del código penal (ingreso sin autorización de un titular de una licencia con una pistola a la vista), una persona con licencia según el subcapítulo h, capítulo 411, código del gobierno (ley sobre licencias para portar pistolas), no puede ingresar a esta propiedad con una pistola a la vista."

"Pursuant to Section 46.03, Penal Code (places weapons prohibited), a person may not carry a firearm or other weapon into any open meeting on this property."

"De conformidad con la Sección 46.03, Código Penal (coloca armas prohibidas), una persona no puede llevar un arma de fuego u otra arma a ninguna reunión abierta en esta propiedad."

2022 CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

| COUNCIL COMMITTEE | |
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| ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Atkins (C), Arnold (VC), McGough, Narvaez, Resendez, West, Willis | ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY Blackmon(C), Ridley (VC), Arnold, Bazaldua, Resendez, Schultz, West |
| GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Mendelsohn (C), Willis (VC), Atkins, Bazaldua, McGough, Ridley, West | HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS SOLUTIONS Thomas (C), Moreno (VC), Arnold, Blackmon, Mendelsohn, Ridley, Schultz |
| PUBLIC SAFETY McGough (C), Mendelsohn (VC), Atkins, Moreno, Resendez, Thomas, Willis | QUALITY OF LIFE, ARTS, AND CULTURE Bazaldua (C), West (VC), Arnold, Blackmon, Narvaez, Ridley, Thomas |
| TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE Narvaez (C), Atkins (VC), Bazaldua, Mendelsohn, Moreno, Schultz, Willis | WORKFORCE, EDUCATION, AND EQUITY Schultz (C), Thomas (VC), Blackmon, McGough, Moreno, Narvaez, Resendez |
| AD HOC JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMITTEE Resendez (C), Arnold, Bazaldua, Ridley, Thomas, West, Willis | AD HOC LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS Atkins (C), McGough, Mendelsohn, Narvaez, Willis |
| AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL SPORTS RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION Johnson (C), Atkins, Bazaldua, Blackmon, Thomas | AD HOC COMMITTEE ON GENERAL INVESTIGATING & ETHICS Mendelsohn (C), Atkins, Blackmon, McGough, Schultz |
| AD HOC COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS Willis (C), McGough, Moreno, Schultz, West | |

(C) – Chair, (VC) – Vice Chair

Note: A quorum of the Dallas City Council may attend this Council Committee meeting.

This Council Committee meeting will be held by videoconference and in the City Council Chambers, 6EN on the 6th Floor at City Hall.

The public is encouraged to attend the meeting virtually; however, City Hall is available for those wishing to attend the meeting in person following all current pandemic-related public health protocols.

The meeting will be broadcast live on Spectrum Cable Channel 95 and online at bit.ly/cityofdallastv. The public may also listen to the meeting as an attendee at the following videoconference link:

<https://dallascityhall.webex.com/dallascityhall/j.php?MTID=m2149463298a6f4043a70bd998a3d520a>

CALL TO ORDER

ACTION ITEMS

- A. **Approval of the August 2, 2022, Ad Hoc Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes**

BRIEFING ITEMS

- B. **Federal Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities**
[Carrie Rogers, Director of Office of Government Affairs; Dina Colarossi, Fund Development Manager, Office of Government Affairs]
- C. **State Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities**
[Clifford Sparks, State Legislative Director]

BRIEFINGS BY MEMORANDUM

- D. **2022-2023 City Membership Organizations**
- E. **2022-2023 State and Federal Legislative Lobbyist Contracts**

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EXECUTIVE SESSION NOTICE

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

seeking the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.071]

deliberating the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.072]

deliberating a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the city if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the city in negotiations with a third person. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.073]

deliberating the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee unless the officer or employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.074]

deliberating the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices. [Tex. Govt. Code §551.076]

discussing or deliberating commercial or financial information that the city has received from a business prospect that the city seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near the city and with which the city is conducting economic development negotiations; or deliberating the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect. [Tex Govt. Code §551.087]

deliberating security assessments or deployments relating to information resources technology, network security information, or the deployment or specific occasions for implementations of security personnel, critical infrastructure, or security devices. [Tex Govt. Code §551.089]

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EXHIBIT B

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

Item A: Approval of the August 2, 2022 Ad Hoc Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Narvaez moved to adopt the minutes as presented.

Motion seconded by Councilmember Willis and unanimously adopted. (Mendelsohn absent when vote taken)

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

BRIEFING ITEMS

Item B: Federal Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities

The following individuals briefed the committee on the item:

- Carrie Rogers, Director of Office of Government Affairs;
- Ralph Garboushian, CapitalEdge;
- Dina Colarossi, Fund Development Manager, Office of Government Affairs; and
- Clifford Sparks, State Legislative Director

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

BRIEFING ITEMS

Item C: State Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities

The following individual briefed the committee on the item:

- Clifford Sparks, State Legislative Director

OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

BRIEFINGS BY MEMORANDUM

Item D: City Membership Organizations

Item E: 2022-2023 State and Federal Legislative Lobbyist Contracts

The committee discussed the items.

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EXHIBIT C



City of Dallas

Federal Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities

**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs
September 13, 2022**

Carrie Rogers
Director
Office of Government Affairs

Dina Colarossi
Fund Development Manager

Overview



- Review legislative activity
- Review proposed priorities
- Discuss priorities to finalize the City's proposed legislative program for 118th Congress
- Federal Update
- Pending Grants
- Key dates
- Next steps



Review of Legislative Activity



- Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs met August 2
- City Council Committees considered legislative items by strategic priority – August 2022
- Call for stakeholder comments – August 17
- Congressional outreach ongoing
- Directors' briefing held for Inflation Reduction Act and funding opportunities



117th Congressional Priorities



- Pandemic relief funding
- Infrastructure funding, including transportation, broadband, DART, water & flood control, & aviation
- Supporting tax exemption for municipal bonds
- Opposing federal control of rights-of-way or zoning
- Supporting public safety assistance programs
- Supporting funding for economic development
- Supporting programs and funding for housing, community development, and healthcare
- Supporting efforts to address clean air and energy security
- Supporting efforts to promote diversity, equity, and human rights

Adopted by City Council February 24, 2021



118th Federal Legislative Priorities



- Public Safety
- Economic Development
- Governance and Financial Management
- Housing and Homelessness
- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Environmental Sustainability
- Quality of Life, Arts and Culture
- Workforce, Education and Equity



Public Safety Priorities



Support funding that provides financial assistance and resources to local governmental law enforcement agencies and schools for public safety

- Increase existing and create new grant program funding opportunities that provide financial assistance to local governmental law enforcement agencies for public safety resources, including legislation that supports the use and purchase of cameras
- Require vehicle manufacturers to prioritize emergency vehicle production for government purposes



Economic Development Priorities



Support legislation that promotes job creation, private investment, a broadened tax base, and economic opportunities for all members of our community

- Support human and economic recovery, including but not limited to housing, public safety and workforce development
- Support additional funding for economic development and workforce readiness



Governance and Fin. Mangmt. Priorities



Support legislation that allows the City to deliver effective and efficient government services, while being fiscally responsible

- Support legislation to ensure data privacy and security of resident data
- Support tax exemptions for municipal bonds



Housing and Homelessness Priorities



Support legislation that ensures housing opportunities for all residents while promoting fair housing and affordable choices throughout every area of the city while working to eliminate homelessness.

- Support legislation to amend the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit legislation to address blight factors



Transp. and Infrastructure Priorities



Support legislation to protect and enhance the city's transportation and infrastructure network, including bike and pedestrian safety, while continuing to deliver innovative, safe, and equitable infrastructure solutions

- Support legislation to enhance mobility infrastructure, including but not limited to bike and pedestrian improvements
- Support legislation to treat broadband service like other critical utility infrastructure to ensure statewide availability, equity and affordability for residents and businesses



Environ. and Sustainability Priorities



Support legislation focused on sustainability, conservation, climate change, and environmental justice to build a more resilient City

- Support legislation to sustain and improve water, storm, dredging and wastewater infrastructure
- Support legislation related to climate and climate mitigation and adaptation actions
- Support legislation that advances the use of electric vehicles and related infrastructure



Quality of Life, Art and Culture



Support legislation that fosters clean and appealing neighborhoods while offering recreational, educational, and cultural activities that enhance the quality of life for our residents and visitors

- Maintain municipal authority related to development matters, including zoning and short-term rentals
- Legalize use of marijuana (NLC)
- Prohibit use of “no-knock” warrants
- Raise the gun purchasing age to 21



Workforce, Education & Equity Priorities



Support legislation that allows the City to be equitable, inclusive, and welcoming for all residents and visitors

- Increase funding for the Department of Family Protective Services and expand benefits for WIC/SNAP programs to include diapers/period products; permit telephonic signatures for SNAP applications
- Increase access to citizenship for immigrants, including recipients of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), temporary protected status and humanitarian parolees
- Ensure proper healthcare, including reproductive rights
- Support legislation to protect the rights of all vulnerable communities, including LGBTQIA+ individuals, and enforce non-discrimination against residents



Federal Update: Inflation Reduction Act



- Health Care and Climate (and Tax) Bill
 - ✓ \$490 billion – spending and tax cuts
 - ✓ \$764 billion – savings and new revenue
- New money for existing programs; new money for new programs
- Request for Information from stakeholders before programs are finalized and NOFAs issued



Pending Federal Grant Applications



| Priority | Grant | Est. Requested Amt |
|----------------|---|---|
| Public Safety | Law Enforcement Mental Health & Wellness (LEMHWA) Community Policing Development: Accreditation FY22 Justice Assistance Grants Victim's Assistance Grant Program (pass-through) First Responder Mental Health Program (pass-through) Project Safe Neighborhoods (pass-through) Justice Assistance Grant (pass-through) Texas 911 (pass-through ARPA funds) | \$175,000 \$250,000 \$1,168,000 \$80,000 \$250,000 \$103,000 \$100,000 \$4,925,000 |
| Infrastructure | WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants (IIJA) Save America's Treasures Transportation Alternatives Program (pass-through IIJA) | \$5,000,000 \$500,000 \$6,400,000 |



Federal Legislative Key Dates



- September 2022: Ad Hoc Legislative Committee action
- September 2022: City Council consideration and action
- Ongoing: Congressional budget negotiations
- September 30, 2022: FY 2022 ends
- January 3, 2023: 118th Congress convenes
- March-September (and likely beyond): FY 2023 Appropriations Process
- October 1, 2023: FY 2023 begins
- November 8, 2023: Election Day
- Mid-December: Target Adjournment, 1st Session, 118th Congress



Next Steps



- Discuss priorities collected from Councilmembers, committees, and city staff
- City Council consideration of proposed legislative program for the 118th Session at upcoming council meeting
- Continue to monitor Community Project requests and additional funding streams





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Federal Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities

**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs
September 13, 2022**

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State Legislative Update and Draft 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities

**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs
September 13, 2022**

Clifford Sparks
State Legislative Director
City Attorney's Office

Overview



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- Key dates
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Review of Legislative Activity



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87th Texas Legislative Priorities



- Economic Development
- Public Safety
- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Workforce Development
- Fiscal Sustainability and Resident Support
- Water and Environmental Sustainability
- Housing
- Parks and Recreation
- Arts and Culture
- Social Equity



Proposed 88th Texas Legislative Priorities



- Public Safety
- Economic Development
- Governance and Financial Management
- Housing and Homelessness
- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Environmental Sustainability
- Quality of Life, Arts and Culture
- Workforce, Education, and Equity



Public Safety Priorities



Support funding that provides financial assistance and resources to local governmental law enforcement agencies and schools for public safety

- Amend Texas Transportation Code to increase penalties for unauthorized production and distribution of temporary tags
- Amend Local Government Code to address responsibility of municipalities with a population over 850,000 to supply school crossing guards and equipment
- Amend Texas Occupations Code to define reflexology businesses as massage parlors



Public Safety Priorities (con't)



- Amend Occupations Code Title 14 to require vehicle manufacturers to prioritize emergency vehicle production for government purposes
- Expand Monica's Law for the statewide protective order database to include felony family violence convictions
- Implement statewide fee increase on 9-1-1 fees to reinvest into emergency response systems



Economic Development Priorities



Support legislation that promotes job creation, private investment, a broadened tax base, and economic opportunities for all members of our community

- Support legislation to give municipalities more options to provide property tax relief to Dallas residents
- Streamline the approval process for Texas Enterprise Fund and Texas Enterprise Zone incentives to better position Texas cities in competing for economic development



Governance and Fin. Mangmt. Priorities



Support legislation that allows the City to deliver effective and efficient government services, while being fiscally responsible

- Support legislation to ensure data privacy and security of resident and commercial data
- Support legislation to require mandatory disclosure of real estate sales prices
- Allow cities the option of using either an official newspaper or a website for the publication of legal notices
- Amend Government Code, Chapter 2274 regarding prohibition from service contracts with institutions that have policies that may restrict gun or ammunition sales and fossil fuels investments



Housing and Homelessness Priorities



Support legislation that ensures housing opportunities for all residents while promoting fair housing and affordable choices throughout every area of the city while working to eliminate homelessness

- Incentivize new mixed-income housing through fee waivers, investments beyond HUD funding and regional collaboration, including but not limited to improvements to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program and Land Use Restrictive Agreements
- Ensure appropriate protections for renters, including disclosure notice of possible evictions
- Exclude source of income in application consideration and other barriers to affordable housing



Transp. & Infrastructure Priorities



Support legislation to protect and enhance the city's transportation and infrastructure network, including bike and pedestrian safety, while continuing to deliver innovative, safe, and equitable infrastructure solutions

- Support legislation to enhance mobility infrastructure, including but not limited to bike and pedestrian improvements
- Support legislation to treat broadband service like other critical utility infrastructure to ensure statewide availability, equity, and affordability for residents and businesses
- Harden the state's electric grid against blackouts



Environmental Sustainability Priorities



Support legislation focused on sustainability, conservation, climate change, and environmental justice to build a more resilient City

- Support legislation to sustain and improve water, storm, dredging and wastewater infrastructure
- Support legislation that requires city consent before TCEQ is authorized to issue a standard permit for polluting industries within a city, imposing minimum distance from such operations and schools, hospitals, and residences
- Maintain existing water rights and fee structure to ensure water sustainability
- Support legislation related to climate and climate mitigation and adaptation actions
- Support legislation that advances the use of electric vehicles and related infrastructure



Quality of Life, Art and Culture



Support legislation that fosters clean and appealing neighborhoods while offering recreational, educational, and cultural activities that enhance the quality of life for our residents and visitors

- Maintain municipal authority related to development matters, including zoning and short-term rentals
- Legalize use of marijuana
- Remove fentanyl test strips from “paraphernalia” definition and classification
- Amend language in rental car tax to allow for the use for cultural centers, arts and parks



Workforce, Education & Equity Priorities



Support legislation that allows the City to be equitable, inclusive, and welcoming for all residents and visitors

- Ensure proper healthcare, including reproductive rights
- Support legislation to protect the rights of all vulnerable communities, including LGBTQIA+ individuals, and enforce non-discrimination against residents
- Increase funding for workforce readiness and pipeline programs to support vocational studies such as mechanic and HVAC careers



State Legislative Key Dates



- November 14, 2022: Bill filing opens
- January 10, 2023: 88th Legislature convenes
- March 10, 2023: 60-day deadline for bill filing
- May 29, 2023: Sine die
- June 18, 2023: Governor Veto deadline



Next Steps



- Discuss current and proposed priorities collected from Councilmembers, committees, and city staff
- City Council consideration of proposed legislative program for the 88th Session of the Texas Legislature at upcoming council meeting



Questions?





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**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs
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Clifford Sparks
State Legislative Director
City Attorney's Office

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 13, 2022

TO The Honorable Members of the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee

SUBJECT **City Organizational Memberships**

In preparation for consideration of renewal for the upcoming fiscal year, below you will find the current organizational memberships: National League of Cities, Texas Municipal League, United States Conference of Mayors, North Texas Commission Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition, and TEX-21.

National League of Cities (NLC) – Membership expires January 31, 2023

Annual Membership Fee: \$38,384

Member Benefits:

- NLC serves as a resource and advocate for the nation's cities and their leaders.
- NLC serves the interests of 19,000 cities, towns, and villages in the U.S. as well as professionals working in municipal government.
- NLC focuses on advocating cities' positions with federal lawmakers in Washington.
- NLC holds two annual conferences – one in the fall in a different U.S. city, and one in the spring in Washington, D.C. Additional meetings and events are held as directed by the League's leadership.

Texas Municipal League (TML) – Membership expires October 31, 2022

Annual Membership Fee: \$59,542

Member Benefits:

- TML coordinates and advocates for a legislative program set by member cities at the state and federal level.
- TML has attorneys on staff to answer general legal questions about municipal law, and monitor federal and state laws and regulations, as well as city-related developments in the courts.
- TML offers training opportunities through an annual conference, workshops and webinars.
- TML provides resources and experts to assist members with seizing opportunities and solving problems.

National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) – Membership began July 1, 2022

- NALEO offers professional development seminars and policy institutes on topics such as education, health, housing, and other pertinent issues to constituents.

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- NALEO members have access to networking opportunities hosted by NALEO throughout the year, including the nation's annual political convention, Edward R. Roybal Gala and other regional events.
- NALEO members receive the National Directory of Latino Elected Officials, a comprehensive listing of Latinos serving the public in elected office.

United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) – Membership expires December 31, 2022

Annual Membership Fee: \$40,235

Member Benefits:

- USCM is an official non-partisan organization of cities with populations of 30,000 or more.
- USCM holds a Winter Meeting each January in Washington, D.C., and an Annual Meeting each June in a different U.S. city. Additional meetings and events are held as directed by USCM leadership.
- USCM members speak with a united voice on organizational policies and goals. Mayors contribute to the development of national urban policy by serving on one or more of the conference's standing committees. Conference policies and programs are developed and guided by an Executive Committee and Advisory Board, as well as the standing committees and task forces which are formed to meet changing needs.
- During the Conference's Annual Meeting in June, standing committees recommend policy positions they believe should be adopted by the organization, which collectively represent the views of the nation's mayors and are distributed to the President of the United States and Congress.

North Texas Commission (NTC) – Membership expires October 1, 2022

Annual Membership Fee: \$60,000

Member Benefits:

- NTC convenes and educates public and private sector leaders to ensure that state and federal policies promote strong local governments, support excellence in public schools, increase the skilled workforce pipeline, and safeguard a thriving business environment.
- NTC advocates on behalf of the region, with chambers of commerce and other associations, for issues that have no city or county boundaries.
- NTC provides extensive professional training and diversity programming for established and rising leaders.
- NTC's state and federal legislative agendas covers issues such as infrastructure development, business and municipal friendly legislation, education/workforce accessibility and diversity protection.

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SUBJECT **City Organizational Memberships**

Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition (DRMC) – Membership expires October 1, 2022

Annual Membership Fee: \$25,000

Member Benefits:

- DRMC is a transportation advocacy group made up of cities, counties and transportation agencies in a five-county region (Dallas, Denton, Collin, Rockwall and Ellis).
- DRMC's primary mission is to advance critical mobility projects through advocacy efforts with state and federal elected officials and regional transportation agencies.
- DRMC represents local governments from the fourth largest region in the country with over 7.0 million residents, a regional GDP of over \$447 billion, 30% of the state's overall GDP, and headquarters of 18 Fortune 500 companies.

TEX-21 – Membership expires October 1, 2022

Annual Membership Fee: \$25,000

Member Benefits:

- TEX-21 works to join cities, counties, private businesses, ports, and transportation entities in a collective, informed voice to the State and Federal Executive and Legislative Policymakers to improve transportation in Texas.
- TEX-21 uses strategies to increase investment in multi-modal transportation infrastructure, improve the planning and management of our transportation facilities, and increase the awareness of the importance of transportation to all areas of Texas.
- TEX-21 provides high-level access to transportation decision makers at the Federal and State levels.
- TEX-21 provides up-to-date information and analysis of key transportation policy issues and opportunities to raise awareness of transportation needs through collaboration with representatives from State and Federal legislative and executive branches.

The total cost of membership for these four organizations would be \$248,161. Similar to the previous year, these memberships will be individually renewed via Administrative Action for another year.

Please let us know if you have any questions.



Carrie Rogers
Director of Government Affairs



Clifford Sparks
State Legislative Director

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE September 13, 2022

TO The Honorable Members of the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee

SUBJECT **State and Federal Lobbyist Contracts for FY23**

Each year, to facilitate City of Dallas legislative priorities and assist with tracking legislation that may affect the city, the City Attorney's Office retains the professional services of both state and federal lobbyists. To ensure a full complement of expertise and resources dedicated to these efforts, staff proposes consideration of the following contracts, which expire on October 31, 2022, for a one-year term, from November 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023.

The federal lobbyists:

- **Ralph Garboushian**, CapitalEdge
 - Current Contract Amount: \$160,000
- **Paul Schlesinger**, Thor Run Partners
 - Current Contract Amount: \$74,375

The state lobbyists:

- **Randy Cain**, Randy Cain Law
 - Current Contract Amount: \$71,000
- **Kwame Walker**, McGuireWoods Consulting
 - Current Contract Amount: \$70,000
- **Lorena Campos**, Campos Consulting Group
 - Current Contract Amount: \$60,000
- **Adam Burkland**, Burkland Consulting Group
 - Current Contract Amount: \$50,000

The current lobbyist contracts for both state and federal lobbyists were briefed to City Council via memorandum on Friday, October 8, 2021, and were approved on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, for one-year terms that will expire on October 31, 2022. Renewal of the state and federal lobbyist contracts for the next fiscal year is tentatively scheduled for Mayor and City Council consideration on Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

In anticipation of various water infrastructure legislation, the City has also secured an additional lobbyist, Adam Burkland, whose sole focus will be on water related infrastructure legislation and initiatives. Similar to our other state lobbyists, this person will report to Clifford Sparks, the City's State Legislative Director.

DATE September 13, 2022

SUBJECT **Current State and Federal Lobbyist Contracts for FY23**

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Carrie Rogers
Director of Government Affairs



Clifford Sparks
State Legislative Director