

CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH

2019 State Legislative Program



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2019 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Work with state agencies to obtain a commitment for a transit station located on the Florida East Coast Railway (FEC) right of way (ROW), immediately west of the City's Bluestem Park, which will serve as a new "downtown" for Hallandale Beach and as a direct link to Gulfstream Park.

Provide a strategy in conjunction with Alcalde & Fay (Federal lobbyist) for how the City of Hallandale Beach can obtain the post office site through a public private partnership process.

LEGISLATION

ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES:

Beach Renourishment

SUPPORT legislation related to amending current Florida Department of Environmental Protection regulations for hard-bottom monitoring and mitigation related to beach renourishment projects. Current monitoring and mitigation requirements make severely needed renourishment projects cost prohibitive.

SUPPORT funding for Beach Renourishment projects through the US Army Corp of Engineers and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection – Bureau of Beaches and Coastal Systems. Urge the Legislature to approve legislation providing an increase in the funding allocation to support of Beach Renourishment Projects throughout the State.

Intercoastal Waterway - No Wake Zones

SUPPORT legislation that will declare the intercoastal waterway within Hallandale Beach a "No-Wake Zone."

Polystyrene Products

SUPPORT legislation that will allow cities to consider and implement strategies to reduce the use of polystyrene products.

Resiliency and Sustainability

SUPPORT legislation that encourages vulnerability assessments, coordinates resources and supports the efforts of local governments to mitigate and adapt to these dynamic environmental conditions including but not limited to sea level rise.

Home Rule:

SUPPORT Legislation that will preserve municipal autonomy, including but not limited to the preservation of local contracts, municipal elections, authority to set impact fees or transportation concurrency, ability to have exclusive planning authority, ability to set expiration dates for contracts resulting from labor negotiations, and oppose efforts to lessen that authority.

FINANCE, TAXATION AND PERSONNEL:

Sales Tax

SUPPORT legislation to reform Florida's sales tax laws that apply to online/e-commerce sales from out-of-state retailers to ensure that retailers are treated equitably.

Pension Reform

SUPPORT legislation that protects municipalities' Home Rule powers to set and fund municipal employee benefit levels.

Revenue Caps/Reductions

OPPOSE legislation that would reduce and/or limit the amount of revenue to municipalities. Such reduction proposals limit the City's ability to provide the current level of programs and services. This includes the Communication Service Tax, Business Tax Receipts, reductions in the corporate income taxes on manufacturing, manufacturing machinery, and retail, commercial lease taxes.

Human Services

SUPPORT legislation that support the Human Services Department, Austin Hepburn Center, Senior Mini-Center continued funding of LSP dollars to the Department of Elder Affairs, Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), who are the state and local agencies receiving these funds that are passed down to the City's program.

GROWTH MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS:

State and Local Building Officials

SUPPORT legislation that, in Broward County and in the State, clarifies or consistently applies the prohibition or non-prohibition on inspectors' and plan reviewers' use of their Certificates in order to work outside of their government employment.

Utilities

SUPPORT legislation that would repeal telecommunication companies' ability to use the local right-of-ways without authorization by the local government.

Transportation

SUPPORT the development of mass transit and multimodal transportation systems, as well as the establishment of a more stable funding source and funding allocation directly to local governments, for transit operations, mass transit, transit infrastructure, and transit policy implementation.

URBAN ADMINISTRATION:

Public Lodging Establishments

SUPPORT legislation that repeals the state preemption of the regulation of vacation rental properties in order to allow local governments to regulate such properties to protect the health and welfare of residents, visitors and businesses.

Medical Marijuana

SUPPORT legislation that protects municipalities' Home Rule Powers to regulate Medical Marijuana Treatment Centers (MMTCs) and dispensaries to protect the health and welfare of residents, visitors and businesses.

Gaming

MONITOR all Gaming legislation related to decoupling and portability.

School Resource Officers Funding

SUPPORT legislation creating a dedicated and recurring state revenue stream to offset any impacts for those cities providing School Resource Officers (SROs) to schools.

Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs)

SUPPORT legislation that will protect and improve municipalities' use of community redevelopment agencies to effectively carry out redevelopment and community revitalization in accordance with Home Rule.

APPROPRIATION REQUESTS

Austin Hepburn Center

The City is requesting funding in order to provide critically needed community-based services to persons aged 60 years plus. The program will be housed at the Austin Hepburn Center through the provision of recreational activities and transportation services to minimize social isolation, avoid and/or delay nursing home placement. The program will require approximately \$276,584 in funding in annual service to approximately 300 clients to be contracted through the Department of Elder Affairs.