

STATE LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM UPDATE

City Manager's Office

City Council February 12, 2019

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BACKGROUND

- City Council considers an update to the Legislative Platform on a biennial basis to coincide with the legislative session;
- 2. The purpose of the Platform is:
 - a) Provide focus and guide the City's legislative advocacy efforts:
 - b) Ensure the most effective use of available resources; and
 - c) Provide a streamlined process for City staff and our Legislative Advocacy team to timely respond to legislative proposals.



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- 3. The proposed update has been developed with input from:
 - a) The Mayor and City Council
 - b) Department Heads
 - c) City Manager's Office staff



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DISCUSSION

- 1. Priority areas in the Platform include:
 - a) Riverside and the Region
 - b) Transportation and Infrastructure
 - c) Safe and Resilient Riverside
 - d) Smart and Sustainable Riverside
 - e) Housing, Neighborhoods and Quality of Life
 - f) Economic and Workforce Development
 - g) Fiscal Stability



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DISCUSSION

- 2. The Principal of Local Control is woven throughout each priority area;
- 3. Approval of the Platform authorizes the City to support legislation consistent with the Platform and oppose legislation inconsistent with the Platform.
- 4. Additional issues are likely to arise during the legislative session that are not included in the Platform; and
- 5. These issues will be addressed accordingly and may necessitate additional consideration by the Council.



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RECOMMENDATION

That the City Council:

- 1. Review and approve an update to the City's State Legislative Platform; and
- 2. Direct staff to coordinate with the City's legislative advocacy team to advance the City's legislative priorities and actively pursue grant funding for priority projects.



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