



2022 State Legislative Priorities

Priority Funding:

1. \$200,000 Boulevard Heights ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Access
2. \$400,000 Police Headquarters Radio Tower
3. Fred Lippman Center Funding

Coordinated Funding:

1. Beach Renourishment and Sand-By-Pass Funding
2. Sadowski Affordable Housing Trust Fund – advocate for full funding of trust fund dollars
3. Visit Florida Funding (Visit Florida was reauthorized until October 1, 2023)

Policy Topics to Monitor and Engage:

1. Affordable Housing Programs and Funding
2. Building Code and Other Growth Management Policies
3. Dedicating State Resources to Enhance Municipal Cybersecurity Efforts
4. Enhanced Funding for Economic Development Opportunities
5. Maintenance of Current Rate for Communications Services Tax
6. Preservation of Ability to Levy a Local Business Tax
7. Preservation of Home Rule; Defense Against Preemption Efforts
8. Preservation of the Sadowski Affordable Housing and Resilient Florida Trust Funds
9. Resiliency Measures, Water Quality, and Other Environmental Issues
10. Seminole Gaming Compact
11. Sovereign Immunity and Claim Bill Reform
12. Vacation Rentals Regulations/Authority Restored to Local Governments
13. Vessels and Waterways Issues (including the protection of anchoring limitation areas designated at the county-level)

Executive Branch:

1. Assist city staff with agency grant opportunities (i.e. Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, Resilient Florida Grant Program, Water Protection Grants)
2. Continue to assist city staff (Department of Public Utilities) with the administrative order from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP)
3. Continue to serve as the City's liaison to the Executive Office of the Governor and other relevant state agencies, such as the: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida Division of Emergency Management (DEM), Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC)

Important Dates:

- September 20-24, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 1*
- October 11-15, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 2*
- October 18-22, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 3*
- November 1-5, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 4*
- November 15-19, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 5*
- November 29-December 3, 2021 *Interim Committee Week 6*
- January 11, 2022 *Regular Session convenes**
- March 11, 2022 *Last day of Regular Session (unless extended)*
- *Governor's Budget Recommendations Due at least 30 days prior to Regular Session start