

Legislative Priorities

118th United States Congress



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General Legislative Policy

The City SUPPORTS state and federal legislation and/or administrative actions that:	The City OPPOSES state and federal legislation and/or administrative actions that:
<i>Protects policies previously established by City leadership through the Charter, ordinances, resolutions, and master plans.</i>	<i>Nullifies or undermines the City's policies contained in existing provisions of the Charter, ordinances, resolutions, and master plans, unless such changes expand the City's ability to manage its own affairs.</i>
<i>Supports local control.</i>	<i>Diminishes the authority of cities to regulate and manage their growth and development.</i>
<i>Protect and enhance City revenues.</i>	<i>Imposes unfunded mandates that requires any expenditures by the City unless all costs are fully reimbursed by the mandating governmental entity.</i>
<i>Reduces or eliminates costs to the City.</i>	<i>Undermine the principle of home rule and local control by the City.</i>
<i>Provides increased educational opportunities and job creation/retention for the citizens of Corpus Christi and the Coastal Bend region through the Port of Corpus Christi authority, public schools, community colleges and universities.</i>	<i>Results in the loss of revenue or negatively impacts potential revenue growth to the City.</i>



Contract Lobbyist



Larry Meyers
Hance Scarborough , Washington, D.C.



The Path Ahead

This session there has been a change in party leadership in the House with Republicans winning a slim majority

The simple process of electing a House Speaker took many days and may foreshadow the difficulty to get bills passed in the House over the next two years

Democrats control the US Senate



Federal Legislative Priorities

Protect the Military Missions in our community

Protect federal funding programs that are essential to City operations

Increase federal infrastructure funds coming to Texas

Reform FEMA processes to streamline disaster recovery

Increase economic development tools

Support legislation that funds and enables broadband infrastructure and universal access across the city.



Questions?

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