

Adopting Legislative Priorities

115th United States Congress
And
85th Texas Legislature



Council Presentation
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General Legislative Policy

The City <u>SUPPORTS</u> legislation and/or administrative actions that:	The City <u>OPPOSES</u> legislation and/or administrative actions that:
Protect and enhance City revenues.	Undermine the principle of home rule and local control by the City.
Reduces or eliminates costs to the City.	Results in the loss of revenue or negatively impacts potential revenue growth to the City.
Supports local control.	Diminishes the authority of cities to regulate and manage their growth and development.
Protects policies previously established by City leadership through the Charter, ordinances, resolutions, and master plans.	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.
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	Imposes unfunded mandates that requires any expenditures by the City unless all costs are fully reimbursed by the mandating governmental entity.



Levels of Activity

- ✓ **Priority** – means the City will actively pursue and support/oppose the policy, including, if necessary, seeking introduction and passage of legislation. This would include purely local Corpus Christi bills, as well as very important legislation of statewide application.
- ✓ **Actively Support/Oppose** – means the City will aggressively attempt to influence passage/defeat of a measure if it is introduced by some other entity.
- ✓ **Endorse** – means the City will make its support or opposition known, but will not actively pursue the issue.



Important Dates

Key Dates	Events
11/14/16	Pre-Filing of Bills Begins for 85 th Regular Session
01/03/17	115 th Congress Convenes, Washington, D.C.
01/10/17	85 th Regular Session Texas Legislature Convenes, Austin, TX
01/20/17	New President/Vice President Inaugurated, Washington, D.C.
02/08/17	Coastal Bend Day in Austin
03/10/17	Bill Filing Deadline for 85 th Regular Session
05/29/17	85 th Texas Legislature Adjourns <i>Sine Die</i>
06/18/17	Deadline for Governor to sign or veto bills



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Federal Agenda

PRIORITY (8), including 2 proactive

3 Military Base Protection (2 proactive)

4 Tax

1 Transportation

ACTIVELY SUPPORT (11)

3 Water, 3 Transportation, 1 Aviation, 1 Energy, 1 Cybersecurity, 1 CDBG, 1 Public Health



State Agenda

PRIORITY (12)

5 Municipal Governance

4 Military Base Protection

1 each – Higher Education, Windstorm, Streets

ACTIVELY SUPPORT (11)

5 Transportation

1 each - Public Health, Cybersecurity, Taxation, Air Quality, Tourism, Wastewater



Questions?

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