



**AGENDA MEMORANDUM**  
City Council Meeting of November 12, 2019

**DATE:** October 4, 2019  
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Texas Legislature Next Steps  
Lessons learned from 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session and Next Steps

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1. Tammy Embrey	Director, IGR	Communications and Intergovernmental Affairs

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<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Title/Position</u></b>	<b><u>Organization</u></b>
1. Snapper Carr	Partner and General Counsel	Focused Advocacy
2. Brandon Aghamalian	Partner and President	Focused Advocacy
3. Curt Seidlits	Founder and CEO	Focused Advocacy

**BACKGROUND:**

The 86<sup>th</sup> Session of the Texas Legislature is behind us. Intergovernmental Relations, along with City of Corpus Christi legislative consultants from Focused Advocacy in Austin will provide Council insights and lessons learned from the session. The presentation will also cover a forecast of the political environment and activity over the interim, but most importantly, what the next steps are that the city needs to be taking to prepare for the 87<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislative session which will take place January-May 2021.

The Lt. Governor recently released the Interim Charges for the Senate Committees. Many of the same themes that we saw in the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislature are included in the Interim Charges such as limiting taxpayer funded lobbying, efforts to improve/strengthen SB 2, issues relating to public rights of ways for utilities.

**LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

PowerPoint – Lessons Learned from the 86<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature and Next Steps.