



AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of October 9, 2012
Action Item for the City Council Meeting of October 16, 2012

DATE: September 28, 2012
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Resolution adopting the City of Corpus Christi's state legislative priorities for the 83rd Texas Legislature in 2013.

CAPTION:

Resolution adopting the City of Corpus Christi's state legislative priorities for the 83rd Texas Legislature in 2013.

PURPOSE:

Approve the list of legislative policy and appropriations issues the City of Corpus Christi wants the Intergovernmental Relations staff and the City's contract external lobbyists to pursue on behalf of the City during the 83rd Regular Legislative Session and any possible special sessions.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

Prior to the beginning of each state and federal legislative session, the City of Corpus Christi staff, working with input and support from the City Council, the City's lobby team, interested stakeholders, the Texas Municipal League (TML), and other cities, develop a list of potential legislative policy and appropriations recommendations.

The City's success is measured by both passage of beneficial legislation as well as preventing passage of legislation that could have detrimental effects on the City, its programs and services, tax base, citizens, business, and industry.

ALTERNATIVES:

n/a

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

The City Council will be provided periodic updates by IGR staff during the state legislative session to provide progress reports on the City's adopted legislative priorities and discuss emerging issues. Depending on the timing and importance of the updates, some may be by written report and some may be by briefings during Council meetings. IGR staff and legislative consultants may provide individual briefings on specialized issues, if Council members request.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

The legislative priorities are consistent with the City’s Mission Statement.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

This is a non-emergency item.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

City Manager, City Attorney, ACM-Public Works and Utilities; ACM-Business Support Services. ACM-General Government and Operations Support, ACM-Safety, Health and Neighborhoods, Police Department, Water, Engineering, Airport, Economic Development.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Operating Revenue Capital Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2011-2012	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered / Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments: Additional items may be presented to Council as issues emerge or conditions warrant during the 83rd Legislative Session and any special sessions.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of the policy issues in the respective categories shown in the attached report.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Legislative Priorities Report
Resolution