

# Federal & State Priorities

JANUARY 30, 2023

## Purpose of Session

**Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations (BGIR) Committee to receive City Council direction with respect to the 2023 federal and state legislative agendas**

**Receive feedback on use of language in proposed legislative positions**

## Level Setting

**January 3: Council Committee Discussion feedback**

**January 4 – 19: Staff incorporated feedback, as appropriate, into proposed agendas for planned consideration and adoption on January 23**

**January 23: Mayor Lyles referred the legislative agendas back to the BGIR at the request of the BGIR Chair and Vice Chair**

**February 6: BGIR will meet to reconsider and propose agendas**

**February 6: BGIR proposed reconsidered agendas will be presented at Council Committee Discussion**

**February 13: Reconsidered agendas are calendared for consideration and adoption by City Council**

## Legislative Issues Presented by the BGIR on January 3

### Federal Agenda

- Destination CLT
  - *Airfield improvement projects*
- 2030 Transit Corridor Plan
  - *MTC long-range plans*
- Immigration
  - *Charlotte Compact on Immigration*
- Sustainability & Resilience
  - *Strategic Energy Action Plan*

### State Agenda

- Mobility
  - *Regional mobility funding*
- State Transportation Funds
  - *Powell Bill*
- Safe Charlotte
  - *Civilian traffic accident investigators*

## Legislative Issues Raised at Council Committee Discussion on January 3

Wording of agenda issues

Homestead Exemption Act

Heirs Property

Pretrial Services

Commercial Truck Parking

Address broader forms of infrastructure

## Legislative Issues Proposed for Consideration on January 23

Addressed wording issues

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- 2030 Transit Corridor Plan
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- Immigration
  - *Charlotte Compact on Immigration*
- Sustainability & Resilience
  - *Strategic Energy Action Plan*
- **Infrastructure**
  - *Transportation network*
  - *Smart policies for transportation*
  - *Digital inclusion*
  - *Clean water and drinking water*

### State Agenda

- Mobility
  - *Regional mobility funding*
- Safe Charlotte
  - *Civilian traffic accident investigators*
- **Infrastructure & Sustainability**
  - *Aviation*
  - *Surface transportation, including Powell Bill*
  - *Smart policies for transportation*
  - *Sustainability & Resilience*
  - *Digital inclusion*
  - *Clean water and drinking water*

## Agendas Proposed for January 23 Did Not Address

**Homestead Exemption Act**

**Heirs Property**

**Pretrial Services**

**Commercial Truck Parking**

## Federal: Destination CLT

Federal Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
<b>Destination CLT</b>	<p>Continue working with Congress and the Administration to secure federal resources for the build-out of the Destination CLT capital program at Charlotte Douglas International Airport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secure a Letter of Intent for the federal government to provide federal funding for construction of the fourth parallel runway and north and south end around taxiways</li> <li>Secure competitive grant funding through the federal Airport Terminal Program for Destination CLT projects</li> </ul>	<p>Continue working with Congress and the Administration to secure federal resources for the build-out of the Destination CLT capital program at Charlotte Douglas International Airport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secure a Letter of Intent for the federal government to provide federal funding for construction of the fourth parallel runway and north and south end around taxiways</li> <li>Secure grant funding for other Destination CLT projects</li> </ul>

## Federal: 2030 Transit System Plan

Federal Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
2030 Transit Corridor System Plan	<p>Continue working with Congress and the Administration to secure federal resources for the build-out of the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue working with the Congressional Delegation to position the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan projects for federal funding through the Capital Investment Grants program</li> <li>Secure competitive grant funding through public transportation and multi-modal opportunities for capital improvements</li> </ul>	<p>Continue working with the Congress and Administration to secure federal resources for the build-out of the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue positioning high-capacity transit projects for multi-year federal funding commitments</li> <li>Secure grant funding for bus system and center city improvements</li> </ul>

## Federal: Immigration

Federal Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Immigration	<p>Support federal immigration policies that strengthens our economy and workforce, immigrant families and communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue the H-1B Visa Program and make program changes to address issues related to spouses and dependent children</li> <li>Support merit-based solutions to allow participants in the asylum, parole, temporary protected status, and deferred action for childhood arrivals programs to earn and keep legal status that eventually leads to citizenship</li> <li>Support increased funding and support of resettlement organizations as they work with refugees in our community</li> </ul>	<p>Support federal immigration policies that strengthens our economy and workforce, immigrant families and communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthen the H-1B Visa program to continue growing the talent pool for high-demand fields</li> <li>Support merit-based solutions that lead to legal status and eventually citizenship</li> <li>Support increased funding for resettlement organizations</li> </ul>

## Federal: Sustainability & Resilience

Federal Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Sustainability and Resilience	Support federal funding and policies that enable the City to reach its Strategic Energy Action Plan goals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fleet Electrification and Infrastructure</li> <li>• Energy Efficiency</li> <li>• Environmental Justice</li> <li>• Workforce Development</li> </ul>	Support federal funding and policies that enable the City to reach its Strategic Energy Action Plan goals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support policies and funding to transition fleets to no-emission vehicles and make buildings more energy efficient</li> <li>• Support policies that incorporate environmental justice and workforce development into sustainability and resilience programs</li> </ul>

## Federal: Infrastructure

Federal Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Infrastructure	Not in Committee-Proposed Agenda	Continue working with the Congress and Administration to advance the city's plans related to surface transportation, digital inclusion, and environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support policies to improve the transportation network for all users</li> <li>• Support smart policies that advance next generation personal and commercial mobility systems</li> <li>• Support policies that advance digital inclusion</li> <li>• Support policies that advance clean water and drinking water initiatives</li> </ul>


## State: Mobility

State Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Mobility	<p>Continue to work with regional stakeholders and the General Assembly to secure mobility legislation that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enables the voters of Mecklenburg County to authorize the Mecklenburg County Commission to levy dedicated, stable, and permanent sources of revenues for regional and local roadway, bicycle, pedestrian, greenway, and public transportation systems</li> <li>Enables local governments to issue revenue bonds for roadway, bicycle, pedestrian, greenway, and public transportation systems projects that would be backed by new and existing local sources of revenue</li> </ul>	<p>Continue to work with regional stakeholders and the General Assembly to build support and advance regional solutions to mobility needs</p>

## State: Safe Charlotte

State Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
Safe Charlotte	<p>Support policies and increased resources that further initiatives to lower crime, increase public safety, and redeploy resources to areas of highest and best use</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorize police departments to convert low risk sworn duties to non-uniform units, such as investigations of non-lethal traffic accidents by trained civilians</li> </ul>	<p>Support policies and increased resources that further initiatives to lower crime, increase public safety, and redeploy resources to areas of highest and best use, and which serve to increase public confidence in the public safety and judicial systems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Authorize police departments to create non-sworn units to investigate non-lethal traffic accidents</li> </ul>

# State: State Transportation Funds / Infrastructure & Sustainability

State Legislative Agenda	January 3 Committee-Proposed Legislative Positions	January 23 Revised Legislative Positions Prior to Referral Back to Budget, Governance, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee
<p>State Transportation Funds</p>  <p>Infrastructure &amp; Sustainability</p>	<p>Support data-driven approaches to the distribution of State transportation funding that are fair and consistently applied</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the Strategic Transportation Investments program for prioritization of State transportation construction funding</li> <li>• Restore statutory funding levels for all municipalities receiving local street maintenance funding through the Powell Bill program</li> </ul>	<p>Continue working with the General Assembly and Administration to advance the city's infrastructure and sustainability plans related to aviation, surface transportation, sustainability &amp; resilience, digital inclusion, and environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the data-driven programs that distribute transportation funding for the NC Airport Improvement, Powell Bill, and State Maintenance Assistance Programs</li> <li>• Support smart policies that advance next generation personal and commercial mobility systems</li> <li>• Support policies and funding to transition fleets to no-emission vehicles and make buildings more energy efficient</li> <li>• Support policies that advance digital inclusion</li> <li>• Support policies that advance clean water and drinking water initiatives</li> </ul>