



Proposed 2019 State & Federal Legislative Agendas

City Council

January 14, 2019

PROPOSED 2019 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Affordable Housing

- City Council has been focused on increasing the supply of affordable housing
- Support federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit programs that support affordable housing initiatives
- The federal Community Development Block Grant, HOME Investment Partnership and Low-Income Housing Tax Credit programs provide resources in furtherance of this objective

- Since the 2018 general election, the level of support for increased federal spending on infrastructure has been growing both in the Congress and Administration
- Focus on three areas:
- **Transit:** Continue working with the Congress and the Administration to secure federal resources for the build-out of the 2030 Transit Corridor System Plan

- **Highways, Airports and Passenger Rail:**
Support increased federal funding for other infrastructure that serves to connect urban and rural areas
- **Modernized and Sustainable Infrastructure:**
Support increased federal funding for infrastructure that accelerates our transformation toward a sustainable economy and promotes smart cities initiatives, e.g. alternative vehicle refueling stations, autonomous vehicles and related 5G broadband technology, and renewable energy

- The recently completed Farmers' Market Study commissioned by the City makes recommendations intended to improve the customer experience at area farmers' markets
- Secure grant funding to improve the customer experience at area farmers' markets including resources to market and promote area farmers' markets and increase acceptance of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits at area markets
- Representative Adams is very supportive of addressing food security issues in Charlotte

- Leading up to the 2012 Democratic National Convention, the City Council employed an approach of supporting our federal delegation in seeking security funding
- Support our Federal Delegation as they seek security funding for the 2020 Republican National Convention

PROPOSED 2019 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

Affordable Housing

- City Council has been focused on affordable housing issues including the provision of relief to individuals in a crisis
- Clarify State law to expressly authorize providing financial assistance to low and moderate income persons for displacement assistance and gentrification mitigation
- Work in partnership with the NC League of Municipalities and the NC Metropolitan Mayors Coalition



Citizens Review Board

- City Council has been focused on enhancing trust and accountability between CMPD and the community
- Secure subpoena power for the Citizens Review Board
- Identical legislation was opposed by local Fraternal Order of Police in 2017



Commercial Service Airport Improvements

- Airports are a key economic driver for the State of North Carolina
- Over the last several years, federal funding levels for airports has been stagnant and in some cases reduced
- Transition occasional annual funding to sustained funding for capital improvements at North Carolina's commercial service airports
- Work in partnership with the NC Department of Transportation, key legislators, and the nine other commercial service airports in the State

Minimum Housing Standards

- Recent events have shined a bright light on the State's minimum housing standards
- Support legislation strengthening North Carolina minimum housing standards including extending the authority to local governments to conduct testing for and enforcement of remediation of mold
- City has been invited by Representative Beasley to take part in a stakeholder's group, along with other organizations such as the NC League of Municipalities and Apartment Association of North Carolina

NC Search & Rescue Teams

- Seven NC local governments house search and rescue teams that can be dispatched to disaster areas
- Teams are in need of sustained State funding to upgrade equipment
- Transition occasional annual funding to sustained funding in support of NC Search & Rescue Teams
- Work in partnership with the NC Department of Public Safety, key legislators, NC State Firefighter's Association and the six other local fire departments with search and rescue teams

Out-of-State Law Enforcement

- City Council worked with the General Assembly to seek similar state legislation in support of the 2012 Democratic National Convention
- General statutes limit the City's ability to supplement its ranks in times of need with out-of-state law enforcement officers
- Secure authorization to utilize out-of-state law enforcement officers during the 2020 Republican National Convention