



## Agenda Report

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### REPORT TO COUNCIL

#### **SUBJECT**

Action on 2021 Legislative Advocacy Positions

#### **COUNCIL PILLAR**

Enhance Community Engagement and Transparency

#### **BACKGROUND**

On October 9, 2018, Council adopted Resolution No. 18-8611 to approve a Legislative Advocacy Position (LAP) Policy (Attachment 1). The purpose of the LAP Policy is to establish clear guidelines for advancing City goals and positions through legislative review and advocacy at the regional, State, and federal levels of government and to provide guidance for City officials who serve on regional, State, and national boards, committees, and commissions when they are asked to review public policy matters and issues. The LAP Policy requires Council to adopt or update the LAPs at the beginning of the calendar year to identify specific legislative priorities outside of the legislative guiding principles listed below:

- Support the League of California Cities and National League of Cities positions on priority bills that benefit Santa Clara
- Protect local revenue sources and prevent unfunded mandates
- Protect and/or increase funding for specific programs and services
- Protect and/or increase local government discretion
- Advance approved policies such as the City's Statement of Values, the General Plan, or the Climate Action Plan

Staff is presenting 12 2021 LAPs for the Council's consideration (Attachment 2). If approved, staff and the City's legislative consultant, Townsend Public Affairs, LLC (Townsend), will use these LAPs to track, monitor and advocate for legislation that is consistent with the City's outlined priorities and provide quarterly legislative updates to the Council on those efforts as required by the LAP Policy.

#### **DISCUSSION**

In late 2020 and January 2021, Townsend conducted legislative briefings with staff and Councilmembers to provide updates on current state and federal legislative activity and to identify legislative priorities for 2021. The proposed 2021 LAPs reflect staff and Councilmembers' feedback and will provide guidance during a legislative year that is anticipated to be busy with new policy changes and new opportunities for local government.

At the state level, the Legislature returned to Sacramento from recess on January 11<sup>th</sup> to resume the business of the 2021-22 Legislative Session. With the resumption of the Legislative Session,

legislators can resume introducing legislation in the new session. While the official deadline to introduce new legislation is February 19<sup>th</sup>, many legislators are taking the opportunity to introduce bills early which need to be acted upon in an expedited fashion, bills that reflect issues that were raised in campaigns, or to just introduce legislation that is a priority for them for the coming year. In general, bills that are introduced early in the legislative session are not heard before bills that are introduced closer to bill introduction deadline.

Once the bill introduction period has passed, it is likely that the Legislature will introduce in excess of two thousand bills, which will cover a broad range of issues. Based on comments from legislative leadership, as well as early bill introductions, it is likely that there will be a significant focus placed on bills that attempt to address issues related to the coronavirus pandemic, including support for small businesses, facilitating schools' return to in-person instruction, vaccine distribution and administration, and expanding access to broadband internet so people can more reliably work/educate at home. Additionally, the Legislature is likely to place an emphasis on bills related to affordable housing and homelessness; police reform and issues of social justice; preparing for, and responding to, wildfires; and issues related to the State Budget.

In Washington D.C., the focus remains on the response to the coronavirus pandemic, and how best to get relief to individuals, businesses, schools and state/local governments. To date, Congress has approved four phases of coronavirus relief, with the most recent legislation being approved in late-December. While significant resources have already been dedicated to the pandemic response, additional legislative efforts are already being developed.

It is expected that lawmakers in Sacramento, and Washington D.C., will consider many issues in the areas that are covered by the proposed 2021 LAPs. While there will be significant focus, at the State and Federal levels, on the response to the coronavirus pandemic, it is anticipated that the Legislature and Congress will also be pay significant attention to other areas that can impact the City, including: affordable housing, public safety, environmental sustainability, and transportation.

The Council approved 13 LAPs in 2020, 12 of which have been reformatted to make the City's policy stances more transparent and updated to reflect current stances on key policy issues. The 2020 Santa Clara Federal Legislative Priorities LAP was not included with the 2021 LAPs because the content of that LAP has been incorporated into the other 12 that are being brought forth for consideration. Staff recommends that Council approve the proposed 2021 LAPs (Attachment 2) to provide staff and Townsend with direction on future legislation.

The 2021 LAPs are summarized below:

### **COVID-19 Legislation**

The City continues to closely monitor county, state and federal COVID-19 related orders and legislation to see how they apply to Santa Clara. City resources and personnel are working to continue providing essential governmental functions and assistance to residents and businesses that have been impacted by COVID-19-related disruptions, while navigating the response necessary to contain the COVID-19 outbreak and complying with the requirements for social distancing and self-quarantining.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions: Support continued efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19, provide direct relief funding to local jurisdictions, especially small and medium-

sized cities, and the temporary suspension of certain time-specific statutory requirements.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include positions to:

- Support for allowing local jurisdictions to use direct relief funding to offset lost revenue, federal and state efforts to help mitigate the economic impacts from COVID-19 on businesses and residents, efforts to assist small businesses, tenants, and landlords through eviction moratoriums, and other assistance programs during the pandemic, efforts to establish protocols and provide funding that will allow schools to safely resume in-person instruction; and
- Oppose efforts to shift programmatic responsibilities to the City that have been traditionally carried out or funded by other agencies.

### **Energy Legislation, Regulations and Issues**

The City's electric utility, Silicon Valley Power (SVP) has a mission to be a progressive, service-oriented utility, offering reliable, competitively priced services for the benefit of Santa Clara and its customers. Additionally, SVP has an adopted Strategic Plan that is intended to address the challenges facing the utility over a ten-year period. This LAP works to further the objectives outlined in the Strategic Plan, complements the other LAPs adopted by the City, and ensures that the City can provide safe, reliable, and affordable energy to ratepayers, while operating in an environmentally and fiscally conscious manner.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Monitor the PG&E bankruptcy proceeding and associated legislation, and energy regulations and participate in the development of new energy related products to mitigate ratepayer impacts; and
- Support efforts to align wildfire-related liability with fault to safeguard public utility customers against exorbitant rate increases, policies that will help ensure transmission level Public Safety Power Shut-offs (PSPS) events do not unnecessarily burden local communities that are dependent on investor owned utility (IOU) transmission infrastructure, and safe and reliable operations of the grid in relation to wildfire mitigation.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include:

- An updated position to monitor PG&E's rate-making regulatory activities to ensure it meets its obligations and agreements and advocate for changes that would mitigate adverse impacts to Silicon Valley Power (SVP) and other publicly owned utilities (POUs);
- Monitor the development of new market initiatives from state and regional grid operators and advocate for changes that would benefit or protect SVP ratepayers; and
- Support legislation that would provide local public agencies with financial resources to prepare for, and mitigate the impacts from, planned power outage events.

### **Engagement with Federal Aviation Administration Regarding Airplane Noise**

In Santa Clara, the source of air noise comes from various activities from regional international

airports, general aviation airports, and Moffett Federal Airfield. While the City does not have direct authority over air space, City staff will continue to work with regional agencies, including the Santa Clara/Santa Cruz Airport Roundtable, and federal representatives and authorities to mitigate the effect of airplane noise on our residents.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the City's position to support regional efforts to work with local agencies and federal representatives to mitigate the effects of aircraft noise, efforts to engage local public agencies, and members of the community, prior to any changes in flight paths, or airport operations, that may impact surrounding areas, and legislation that provides funding to assist with the mitigation of impacts from aircraft noise.

Recommended Updates: There are no substantial updates aside from reformatting the LAP.

### **Housing (*previously titled Affordable Housing and Homelessness*)**

The City is committed to being a leader at the local level in providing affordable housing, as well as making a fair share contribution to the overall need for housing production within Silicon Valley, and will continue to proactively take concrete steps to realize new housing production within the City. Santa Clara is also prepared to participate in broader regional efforts that are collaborative, recognize the unique characteristics of local jurisdictions, and provide opportunities for local representation. The City is monitoring potential measures imposed at the State or regional level that can reduce local control, recognizing that in some instances such measures can be necessary or helpful to advance common goals across multiple jurisdictions, but is also aware that such efforts may have unintended consequences, limited effectiveness, or create inequities due to a lack of accountability to localized circumstances.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Support new housing production, preservation of various housing tax credits and tax exemptions for private activity bonds, state and local taxes, and efforts to collaborate with the County, local jurisdictions, the business sector, and non-profit and philanthropic partners to leverage available resource and bring in new funding streams to expand the reach of the supportive housing system;
- Advocate for local authority over land use decisions and more state and federal resources, including entitlement grants, to address local housing needs;
- Engage with the State to develop realistic solutions for challenges in meeting local affordable housing goals; and
- Monitor and support ongoing efforts at the State level to reform the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) to support the production of affordable housing or to reduce the potential for unmerited CEQA litigation, among other housing issues.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating the title of this LAP to reflect alignment with existing positions on housing legislation that are not limited to affordable housing and homelessness, and updating the LAP to include positions to support legislation and efforts that provide resources to address the needs of the most vulnerable residents through shelter, supportive housing, and homelessness prevention services; and oppose efforts to reduce federal funding for federal entitlement programs.

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**Human Resources and Public Sector Employment**

The City of Santa Clara provides a myriad of services to the community, including Police, Fire, Public Works, Electric Utility, Planning, Parks and Recreation, and Library Services. The City employs over 1,100 part-time/seasonal and full-time employees that provide these and other services to the community. These services provide opportunities and careers for all types of interests, and the City should endeavor to leverage the rewards and benefits that come with working for the City.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Support efforts to preserve local government's ability to manage its own employment issues, working with City bargaining units in finding solutions to address the service delivery needs of the community while being mindful of the City's revenue, expenditures, and recruitment and retention of the City's workforce, efforts to increase the long-term financial stability of CalPERS, federal and state efforts to create a more informed, engaged, and welcoming experience for immigrants, comprehensive immigration reform which provides opportunities to achieve economic and educational success and contribute to our community, an increase in work visas allowing employers to hire foreign workers that require advanced technical skills, as well as support programs that stimulate the economy through job creation and capital investment by foreign investors, and efforts that protect children, including undocumented children, with the continuation of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program and the Dream Act; and
- Oppose new federal or state unfunded mandates that would increase the City's post-employment obligations.

Recommended Updates: There are no substantial updates aside from reformatting the LAP.

**Local Authority over Wireless Telecommunications Facilities and Cable Services**

The wireless telecommunications industry has made efforts to limit or preempt local control over placement of wireless facilities and supporting structures in and outside the rights-of-way. Over the past several years, actions by federal and state lawmakers have resulted in the adoption of regulations and orders controlling local authority over placement of wireless facilities, including the adoption of "shot clocks" requiring local agencies to complete review of projects within a specified time period.

Additionally, through the Federal Communications Commission's proposed rulemaking, there have been efforts in recent years to address whether local franchising authorities (LFAs) can regulate incumbent cable operators and cable television services. The City has its own government access channel (Santa Clara City Television on Comcast cable channel 15 and AT&T U-verse 99), which may be negatively impacted by such rulings and similar legislation and activities. Santa Clara City Television is used to provide important information to the public, such as live and recorded airings of Council meetings, City special events, programs, and public service announcements.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Oppose efforts to preempt local authority over the placement of wireless telecommunication facilities and efforts to limit the amount of time, or scope, of local review of the placement of wireless facilities; and

- Support efforts to provide for local control of permitting wireless telecommunications and non-cable services facilities in the public-right-of-way.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include positions to:

- Support efforts to increase access to broadband, while ensuring the placement of installation of needed equipment does not undermine local permitting authority and does not pose an undue nuisance for residents; and
- Monitor legislation related to distributed energy generation via back-up power at wireless telecommunications facilities.

## Public Safety

As a City that is consistently named one of the safest cities in the country, Santa Clara is committed to promoting a living and working environment that allowed for the best quality of life. The City believes that crime prevention and enforcement efforts are integral to creating and maintaining a safe environment for residents and visitors. At the same time, the City recognizes that crime prevention and enforcement efforts alone cannot foster community safety and wellness; education, intervention and prevention efforts on various public safety topics, such as gun violence, gang activity, alcohol and tobacco use, driver and bicycle safety, and driving under the influence, are equally important.

As the State and region continues to experience civil unrest and an unprecedented number of natural and man-made disasters, the City recognizes the importance of a comprehensive risk management approach to emergency preparedness.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Support legislation that seeks to impose stricter gun violence laws and/or requires the safe storage of unattended firearms, legislation that toughens penalties for chronic criminals, efforts to reduce the list of who can seek early parole and re-classify some theft crimes from misdemeanors to felonies, expansion on the number of crimes where DNA is collected, legislation that preserves funding levels for existing public safety programs, services and equipment and identifying new funding sources to promote public safety, wellness and employee training, legislation that addresses crime trends and attempts to curb illegal activity, efforts to test speed enforcement cameras and corresponding legislation, community risk reduction strategies including but not limited to community education programs, legislation and initiatives that aim to allocate funding for staff training, interagency cooperation and enhanced equipment/technology, legislation and efforts that recognizes the importance of a comprehensive risk management approach to emergency preparedness, fire prevention, fire suppression, and emergency medical services, legislation that expands the implementation and testing of emergency alerts, measures that aim to return revenue generated from the enforcement of crimes back to the originating agency to sustain their efforts, measures that provide local agencies with financial relief (reimbursement) when the state legislature or any state agency mandates a new program or increased level of service, legislation that improves infrastructure and technology, which will enhance public safety professionals' ability to respond to all types of emergencies and communicate within and across jurisdictions, local regulation of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAV), and legislation that aims to support individuals in crisis, reduce and address homelessness, human trafficking and domestic violence victims and

survivors, and other vulnerable populations.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include a position to support legislation that enhances public safety professionals' ability to respond to all types of emergencies and communicate within, and across, jurisdictions.

### **Regional and State-wide Water Supply and Conservation**

The City of Santa Clara operates 26 wells that tap the underground aquifers and make up about 62% of the City's potable water supply. The underground aquifers are replenished from local reservoirs by the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) water recharge program. The remaining water is supplied by water imported from the SCVWD and the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) through the Hetch-Hetchy Reservoir.

For certain approved non-potable uses, recycled water from the San Jose/Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility's South Bay Water Recycling (SBWR) facility is used. This highly treated water delivered through separate pipelines makes up about 19% of the water sales in the City. Recycled water offsets the use of potable sources in drought-prone California and is a reliable source for conservation of potable sources. The City continues to work closely with SBWR in order to increase recycled water supplies in order to meet existing demands within the City. Currently, SBWR is updating the Recycled Water Master Plan.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Monitor regional water projects like the Bay-Delta Plan;
- Support and implement water conservation measures and efforts working in cooperation with key partner agencies;
- Support funding through alternative funding solutions that don't involve a statewide tax on local water bills, efforts by Santa Clara's wholesalers and other State and Federal agencies to deliver water to Santa Clara customers using clean energy, and a comprehensive Bay-Delta watershed voluntary settlement agreement between stakeholders;
- Coordinate with water agencies to stay current on water resource issues and initiatives as they progress, and in order to lend support and input wherever needed by the suppliers and meet the requirements set forth by the new legislation; and
- Oppose any future drinking water taxes.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include a position to support legislation and funding to protect the health of children who might be exposed to lead in drinking water at school facilities, which was previously included in the 2020 Sustainability and Environmental LAP.

### **Regional Issues and Collaboration**

While the City of Santa Clara is unique in many ways, it experiences many of the same issues that other cities in the region experience. As described in other LAPs, the City works closely with other jurisdictions to address a variety of issues that impact residents in the San Francisco Bay Area, such

as affordable housing, transportation, and water conservation. The City recognizes the importance of regional collaboration and participates in various regional organizations to not only advance the City's goals but to contribute to regional work efforts.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions:

- Participate in regional organizations to advance City goals and contribute to regional work efforts; and
- Monitor regional issues and new legislation to ensure that they benefit the region and its residents.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include a position to support federal and state legislation that will provide funding for regional solutions to problems, such as housing, homelessness, emergency response, and transportation.

### **Regional Transportation Issues**

The City works with the federal government, state government, and regional stakeholders to ensure that residents and businesses have access to traditional modes of transportation and promote alternative modes that would alleviate traffic congestion and pollution. Additionally, it is important for the City's transportation network to continue to evolve to best serve the future needs of the community.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following position: Support legislative, regulatory, and regional efforts to reduce the amount of traffic congestion on area freeways and regional efforts that will alleviate traffic congestion and promote alternative modes of transportation that benefit Santa Clara residents and businesses.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include positions to:

- Support efforts to ensure accountability and fairness during the implementation of regional transportation ballot measures, and legislation that provides funding for diverse transportation projects;
- Oppose efforts to reduce local government access to SB 1 funding; and
- Monitor efforts to place regional transportation funding measures on the ballot for consideration by voters.

### **School Mitigation Fees**

State law authorizes school districts to levy development fees to pay for new school facilities and establishes the maximum fees that can be charged to developers that are building new residential and non-residential projects. This fee is updated every two years, as adjusted for inflation. Once the maximum rate is set by the State, it is the responsibility for each school district to establish its own rate.

The school fees are earmarked for improving and expanding school facilities to serve the school-age population that would be generated from new development. Land values and construction costs have dramatically increased since 1986 and the current adjusted maximum rate does not adequately mitigate the school impacts from new development.



The 2020 version of this LAP included the following position: support flexibility to consider increasing the allowable school mitigation fee level, efforts by the State Legislature, and/or the State Allocation Board, to increase the rates to more realistically reflect current school facility costs, and other provisions to allow school districts to effectively mitigate the impacts of new development.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends updating this LAP to include a position to support efforts to index school mitigation fees, to ensure that the funding remains at a stable level.

### **Sustainability and Environmental Legislation, Regulations and Issues**

The City of Santa Clara is committed to creating a sustainable city for residents and businesses. The City strives to conduct its operations in a way that is environmentally conscious and promotes sustainability. The City is dedicated to collaborating with regional stakeholders to improve the air quality, water quality, and overall environmental quality of life for the residents and businesses of the City. Interest in sustainability and environmental issues, at both the State and federal levels, will likely result in new legislation and regulation changes that could significantly impact the City. Monitoring and advocacy efforts will be geared towards ensuring that emerging legislation and regulations align with the City's interests in providing sustainable services to its residents and businesses.

The 2020 version of this LAP outlined the following positions under many areas of interest:

- California Environmental Quality Act Reform: Support opportunities to further reform the California Environmental Quality Act process that support greater efficiency and transparency and alignment with objective environmental goals while protecting local land use authority.
- Clean Energy and Energy Conservation: Monitor legislation related to energy related issues including renewable energy, energy efficiency and conservation, resiliency, smart grid solutions, energy storage, distributed energy and transportation electrification; advocate for goals and policies that remain technology agnostic and commercially available, and avoid policies that choose specific technologies or energy procurement mandates that can lead to increased customer costs while discouraging innovation; and support legislation that removes barriers to the electrification of buildings and transportation and legislation that provides regulatory streamlining of reporting and other actions that also preserves local decision-making authority.
- Contaminants of Emerging Concern: Monitor legislation and water quality regulations related to contaminants of emerging concern.
- Green House Gas (GHG) Emission Reductions: Monitor legislation that may have a regional and local impact on greenhouse gas emissions and advocate for effective and equitable approaches to emission reduction; support a comprehensive approach to climate policy that optimizes GHG reductions across multiple sectors (transportation, electricity, buildings, etc.), and advocate for the flexibility to optimize the portfolio of GHG emission reduction opportunities identified in the City's Climate Action Plan and includes but not limited to new renewable energy and storage procurement, water conservation and energy efficiency, smart grid solutions, increase waste diversion, sustainable land use, increase tree canopy, building decarbonization, transportation electrification among other actions in the portfolio.
- Lead Testing of Drinking Water in California Schools: Support legislation and funding to protect children who might be exposed to lead in drinking water at school facilities.
- Per- and Poly-fluoroalkyl Substances (PFASs): Monitor research and regulations on PFASs and their impacts on the environment and drinking water.
- Prohibition of Oil Drilling off the California Coast: Oppose federal or state efforts to permit

additional oil drilling off the California coast.

- Recycling and Solid Waste Diversion: Monitor legislation and regulatory efforts related to recycling and solid waste and advocate for legislation and regulations that enable mixed waste processing and composting to remain viable pathways for waste compliance.
- Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs): Support legislation and regulatory efforts that aid the City's Pretreatment Program, Fats, Oils & Grease (FOG) Inspection Program, and Operations and Maintenance of the sanitary sewer collections system.
- South Bay Salt Ponds Restoration Project: Track the progress of the South Bay Salt Ponds Restoration Project and its proximity and potential impacts to the Regional Wastewater Facility, which Santa Clara jointly owns with the City of San Jose.
- South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study: Track the progress of the South Bay Shoreline Study and support associated regional resiliency planning efforts to ensure that Santa Clara's infrastructure and community assets are considered and protected as the Bay Area plans and constructs resiliency projects.
- Urban Runoff Pollution Prevention: Support urban runoff pollution regulations, water conservation and recycling, and pollution controls that benefit the City
- Vegetation and Forest Management: Support legislation, regulations, and funding to strengthen forest management and fire prevention activities and improve emergency preparedness and response.
- Wastewater Regulation: Monitor legislation and regulations related to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and the San Jose/Santa Clara Regional Wastewater Facility (RWF), the largest discharger to the San Francisco Bay.
- Water Sustainability: Work with regional partners to maintain the reliability of the water supply and water sustainability to support current customers and to allow for expected growth in the near future and beyond.

Recommended Updates: Staff recommends moving the position on supporting legislation and funding to protect children who might be exposed to lead in drinking water at school facilities to the 2021 Regional and State-wide Water Supply and Conservation LAP and to update the LAP to include the following position:

- Monitor legislation related to vehicle miles traveled, in lieu of level of service, in relation to transportation impacts of projects.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The action being considered does not constitute a "project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(5) in that it is a governmental organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect changes in the environment.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The City has an existing three-year agreement with Townsend Public Affairs for state and federal legislative advocacy services in an amount not-to-exceed \$252,000, which includes conducting detailed orientations and developing and implementing a legislative strategy. Funding for FY2020/21 is included in the Adopted Budget. Funding for future fiscal years is subject to annual appropriation of funds.

**COORDINATION**

This report was coordinated with Townsend and the City Attorney's Office. The LAPs were coordinated with Townsend, Silicon Valley Power and the Community Development, Fire, Human Resources, IT, Police, Public Works, and Water & Sewer Utilities Departments.

**PUBLIC CONTACT**

Public contact was made by posting the Council agenda on the City's official-notice bulletin board outside City Hall Council Chambers. A complete agenda packet is available on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office at least 72 hours prior to a Regular Meeting and 24 hours prior to a Special Meeting. A hard copy of any agenda report may be requested by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (408) 615-2220, email [clerk@santaclaraca.gov](mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov) <<mailto:clerk@santaclaraca.gov>> .

**ALTERNATIVES**

1. Adopt the 2021 Legislative Advocacy Positions on COVID-19 Legislation; Energy Legislation, Regulations and Issues; Engagement with the Federal Aviation Administration Regarding Airplane Noise; Housing; Human Resources and Public Sector Employment; Local Authority over Wireless Telecommunications Facilities and Cable Services; Public Safety; Regional and State-wide Water Supply and Conservation; Regional Issues and Collaboration; Regional Transportation Issues; School Mitigation Fees; and Sustainability and Environmental Legislation, Regulations and Issues.
2. Do not adopt the 2021 Legislative Advocacy Positions on COVID-19 Legislation; Energy Legislation, Regulations and Issues; Engagement with the Federal Aviation Administration Regarding Airplane Noise; Housing; Human Resources and Public Sector Employment; Local Authority over Wireless Telecommunications Facilities and Cable Services; Public Safety; Regional and State-wide Water Supply and Conservation; Regional Issues and Collaboration; Regional Transportation Issues; School Mitigation Fees; and Sustainability and Environmental Legislation, Regulations and Issues.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Alternative 1: Adopt the 2021 Legislative Advocacy Positions on COVID-19 Legislation; Energy Legislation, Regulations and Issues; Engagement with the Federal Aviation Administration Regarding Airplane Noise; Housing; Human Resources and Public Sector Employment; Local Authority over Wireless Telecommunications Facilities and Cable Services; Public Safety; Regional and State-wide Water Supply and Conservation; Regional Issues and Collaboration; Regional Transportation Issues; School Mitigation Fees; and Sustainability and Environmental Legislation, Regulations and Issues.

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**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Legislative Advocacy Position Policy
2. 2021 Legislative Advocacy Positions