

TOWN OF APEX

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

2025-2026



GUIDING LEGISLATIVE PRINCIPLES

- Support Funding to Municipalities
- Support Greater Flexibility and Local Control for Municipalities
- Support Equity and Inclusion Efforts
- Oppose Removal of Authority from Municipalities
- Oppose Unfunded Mandates or Cost Shifts
- Oppose efforts to eliminate or reduce funding to the Powell Bill

A WELCOME COMMUNITY



- Identify and seek funding needs for outdoor recreational needs
- Support legislation that expands property tax exemptions to ensure seniors, disabled veterans, and others remain in their homes.
- Advocate for equitable legislation that aims to create policies that are fair and inclusive for all people, without attention to race, gender identify, national origin, veteran, disability, or other factors.
- Advocate for legislation that promotes opioid and other substance use prevention, intervention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery initiatives.

HIGH PERFORMING GOVERNMENT



- Promote legislation that would broaden the capabilities for providing electronic notices by local governments.
- Identify and support legislation directed at initiatives related to reducing community violence and increasing public safety through non-traditional violence prevention.
- Promote legislation to move all municipal elections to even-years reducing the costly burden to municipalities, and protect the ability for municipal elected officials to determine the election formats, districts, and other election matters.

ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP



- Advocate for pollinator habitats and protection of native species.
- Support legislation that will protect energy consumers and improve reliability.
- Promote efforts that prioritize clean water for our communities and provide funds for remediating the contamination in local water supplies.
- Oppose legislation that places limitation on local government regulations concerning tree removal.

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RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT



- Support opportunities to increase access to affordable housing, by expanding incentive programs and address concerns of large investors and corporate-owned housing.
- Support the expansion and continuation of the Community Opportunity Tax Credit.
- Advocate for legislation to fund and support mobility initiatives, including expansion of roads, bus, bicycle, and light rail systems to suburban areas.
- Support the establishment of long-term funding streams that adequately address, water, sewer, stormwater, transportation, and other infrastructure needs.
- Advocate for and support the restoration of Down Zoning authority.

ECONOMIC VITALITY



- Support efforts that ensure equitable distribution of sales tax.
- Invest heavily in infrastructure grants to provide capacity for siting new businesses and expansions to ensure robust recruitment and strong retention.
- Promote legislation that would provide local revenue options beyond the property tax.