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MEMORANDUM

Community Development

To: Mayor Jackola and City Council
From: Kelly Hart, Community Development Director
Subject: League of Oregon Cities 2025-2026 Legislative Priorities – City Vote
Date: July 23, 2024

I. INTRODUCTION

Before the start of each legislative long session, the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) asks member cities to help set the legislative priorities for the next two years. The LOC appoints members to serve on seven policy committees, which are the foundation of the League's policy development process. These committees, composed of city officials, analyze policy and technical issues, and recommend positions and strategies for the upcoming two-year legislative cycle. This year, seven committees identified 23 legislative policy priorities to advance to the full membership and LOC Board of Directors.

Each city is asked to review the recommendations from the seven policy committees and provide input to the LOC Board of Directors, which will formally adopt the LOC's 2025-26 legislative agenda. A ballot system is developed in which the city has five votes, ranking its top five legislative priorities.

II. CURRENT REPORT

The LOC Member Voter Guide, which describes the 23 legislative priorities, is attached for the Council's review. The August City Council meeting is intended to finalize the Council's vote on the top five legislative policy priorities and authorize the City Manager to submit the priority list to the LOC.

III. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Vote on the top five priorities and authorize the City Manager to submit to the League of Oregon Cities.