



**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
STAFF REPORT**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> September 16, 2024		<b>Subject:</b> 2024 Legislative Priorities Ballot for 2025-26 Session	
		<b>Staff Member:</b> Mark Ottenad, Public/Government Affairs Director	
		<b>Department:</b> Administration	
<b>Action Required</b>		<b>Advisory Board/Commission Recommendation</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Information or Direction <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Direction <input type="checkbox"/> Consent Agenda		<input type="checkbox"/> Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Denial <input type="checkbox"/> None Forwarded <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable  <b>Comments:</b> The League of Oregon Cities (LOC) seeks member cities’ feedback by Sept. 27 on the top-5 of 23 potential priorities for the 2025-26 state legislative session. City Council is scheduled to consider adoption during Sept. 16 Mayor’s Business agenda item.	
<b>Staff Recommendation:</b> Staff recommends five priorities for City Council consideration.			
<b>Recommended Language for Motion:</b> N/A			
<b>Project / Issue Relates To:</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Goals/Priorities:	<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted Master Plan(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	

**ISSUE BEFORE COUNCIL:**

Of 23 potential policy priorities for the 2025-26 legislative session of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Oregon Legislative Assembly under consideration by the League of Oregon Cities (LOC), which five (5) are of the highest priority to the City that Council would like to see LOC focus on?

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Every other year prior to the start of the two-year-long session of the Oregon legislature, LOC seeks feedback from member cities about what should be LOC's top legislative priorities.

This year for the 83<sup>rd</sup> Oregon Legislative Assembly, LOC's ballot (Attachment A) due by Sept. 27 contains for City Council consideration the top-5 priorities out of 23 potential priorities that fall under seven general topics/issues; see Attachment B for details.

Staff reviewed the LOC legislative priorities, many of which are worthy of consideration; however, some LOC priorities, such as marijuana tax revenues, do not apply to the City. Staff recommendations listed in Attachment C for 2023 LOC legislative priorities tend to focus on supporting priorities that emphasize lobbying the legislature for financial appropriations and public policies that support City Council priorities.

**EXPECTED RESULTS:**

The City timely provides feedback to LOC on legislative priorities.

**TIMELINE:**

LOC requests completed ballot to be submitted by Sept. 27, 2024.

**CURRENT YEAR BUDGET IMPACTS:**

Successful legislation that appropriates state funds for local governments, such as for public infrastructure and transportation, could benefit City.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROCESS:**

City Council and staff's assessment of legislative priorities is informed by City's overall extensive public-engagement process on diverse range of issues. LOC legislative priorities developed through member-cities legislative policy-review committees composed of elected and appointed officials.

**POTENTIAL IMPACTS OR BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY:**

Successful legislation endorsed by City Council can benefit the community depending on the nature of legislation.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

An alternative would be to not participate in the LOC legislative priorities process.

**CITY MANAGER COMMENT:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. 2024 LOC Legislative Priorities Ballot Voting Portal for 2025-26 Session
2. 2024 LOC Member Voter Guide (For 2025-26 Oregon Legislative Sessions)
3. LOC: Why is it Essential for the 2025 Legislature to Increase Transportation Funding? July 2024
4. City Staff Recommendation for LOC 2024 Legislative Priorities Ballot for 2025-26 Session, Sept. 3, 2024
5. City of Wilsonville/SMART 2023-24 State Legislative Agenda, January 2023
6. City of Wilsonville/SMART 2024 State Legislative Priorities, Sept. 2023
7. Proposed draft City of Wilsonville/SMART 2024-25 State Legislative Priorities, Sept. 2024