



ADOPTION OF 2019 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES AND PRINCIPLES

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Legislative Principles Background

- Council's Governing Standards and Expectations Section 2-10 sets forth direction that City Council will adopt state legislative principles.
- Legislative principles serve as a guide for representing the City's interests at the state level.
- Staff developed a draft for Council's consideration.
- Upon approval, the document will be provided to state representatives of Killeen and other state officials and agencies with an interest in issues that affect our community. It will also be provided to our lobbyist.

Proposed State Action Priorities

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□ Action Priorities

- The City of Killeen will seek full reimbursement from the State of Texas for lost revenue due to state-granted veterans exemptions.
- The City of Killeen will oppose any extension of state veterans exemptions that is not fully funded by the State of Texas.

Proposed State Guiding Principles

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□ Guiding Principles

▣ Support legislation that:

- Benefits military communities
- Provides relief for disproportionate impact
- Provides transportation/park funding
- Benefits KISD, CTC or TAMU-CT

▣ Oppose legislation that:

- Limits local control or authority
- Would be detrimental to current or future revenue
- Imposes partially or fully unfunded mandates
- Erodes zoning authority
- Would be detrimental to economic development

Alternatives Considered

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- Alternatives Considered
 - ▣ 1. Adopt 2019 State Legislative Priorities and Principles as drafted
 - ▣ 2. Adopt an alternate version
 - ▣ 3. Do not adopt 2019 State Legislative Priorities and Principles

- Staff recommends alternative No. 1
 - ▣ Adoption complies with Governing Standards and Expectations and provides the framework for representing the City's interests at the state level.

Recommendation

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- Staff recommends that City Council adopt 2019 State Legislative Priorities and Principles.