



2027-2028

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

RS-26-113

July 21, 2026

Proposed Legislative Priorities and Principles

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□ Action Priorities

▣ The City of Killeen will:

- Seek full reimbursement and **reinvestment** from the State of Texas for lost revenue due to state-granted veterans exemptions
- Oppose any extension of state-granted veterans exemptions that is not fully funded by the State of Texas
- Advocate for Killeen to have a Bullet Train station stop

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□ Action Priorities continued

▣ The City of Killeen will:

- Advocate for increased financial assistance for first responders, emergency management and technology innovation
- Advocate for increased funding for Aquifer storage
- Advocate for clear legislation preventing initiative ordinances that would violate state or federal law from being placed on the ballot

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□ Action Priorities continued

▣ The City of Killeen will:

- Advocates for legislation designating Killeen as a Military Impacted Municipality
- Seek state funding for roadway expansion and modernization to address congestion from rapid growth with key priorities being Highway 195 and 190 corridor improvements, intersection upgrades and multi-modal transportation planning and pedestrian safety enhancements

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□ Guiding Principles

▣ The City of Killeen supports legislation that would:

- Provide benefit to military communities
- Provide local relief for impacts of state-granted exemptions and programs
- Provide transportation funding for local projects
- Provide funding for local park, trail, or public grounds projects
- Be beneficial to Texas A&M University-Central Texas, Central Texas College and/or Killeen Independent School District

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□ Guiding Principles

■ The City of Killeen supports legislation that would:

- Support statewide planning and regulatory standards for data centers that prioritize water and power sustainability
- Align with positions and priorities of the Central Texas Water Alliance
- Advocate for dedicated state and grant funding to expand senior programming, recreation activities, and wellness services to include support for senior centers, transportation access, social engagement programs, and health focused programming to improve quality of life and reduce isolation

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□ Guiding Principles

- The City of Killeen supports legislation that would:
 - Advocate providing funding for youth programming
 - Advocate providing funding for Downtown or Main Street areas and the arts community
 - Advocate supporting programs encouraging innovation and advanced technology skills for soldiers

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□ Guiding Principles

- ▣ The City of Killeen opposes legislation that would:
 - Remove or limit local control or preempt local authority
 - Be detrimental to current or potential City revenue
 - Impose partially or fully unfunded mandates
 - Erode zoning authority
 - Be detrimental to local economic development efforts