



Legislation Text

File #: Res. 2020-14R(b), **Version:** 1

AGENDA CAPTION:

Consider approval of Resolution 2020-14R, adopting Guiding Principles for the City's 2020 Federal and State Legislative Action Program; and declaring an effective date.

Meeting date: February 18, 2020

Department: Communications & Intergovernmental Relations

Amount & Source of Funding

Funds Required: Click or tap here to enter text.

Account Number: Click or tap here to enter text.

Funds Available: Click or tap here to enter text.

Account Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Fiscal Note:

Prior Council Action: Resolution 2019-51R Guiding Principles for the City's 2019 State and Federal Legislative Program Activities was adopted by Council on March 19, 2019; the State 2019 Guiding Principles document was amended by Resolution 2019-84R on May 7, 2019. (Postponed on January 21, 2020)

City Council Strategic Initiative: [Please select from the dropdown menu below]

Workforce Housing

Public Transit

Stormwater

Comprehensive Plan Element (s): [Please select the Plan element(s) and Goal # from dropdown menu below]

- Economic Development - Choose an item.
- Environment & Resource Protection - Choose an item.
- Land Use - Choose an item.
- Neighborhoods & Housing - Choose an item.
- Parks, Public Spaces & Facilities - Choose an item.
- Transportation - Choose an item.
- Not Applicable

Master Plan: *[Please select the corresponding Master Plan from the dropdown menu below]*

Background Information:

The City of San Marcos worked with the Normandy Group, the City's Federal Legislative consultants, and Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP, the City's State Legislative consultants, to identify the updated list of guiding principles for the City's 2020 Legislative program. These guiding principles aid City staff and elected officials in advancing the interests of the City, its residents, and businesses, with our federal and state Congressional delegations and with corresponding agencies involved in the funding and regulation of assets and services provided by the City of San Marcos to the people of our community.

These attached redlined Guiding Principles were adopted by resolution on March 19, 2019 with the State Guiding Principles being amended by resolution on May 7, 2019. The City's Guiding Principles are living documents that may be updated at the will of the Council.

At the last meeting of the Council's Legislative Committee on November 14, amendments were discussed to add additional language as a result of the Council's strategic initiatives, additional federal and state funding opportunities or legislative changes following the 86th Texas Legislative Session.

Update since Jan. 21 Council Mtg: following receipt of the additional edits proposed by Council Member Baker for the State Legislative Guiding Principles, the Legislative Committee met on Jan. 30 to review these proposed additions.

Council Committee, Board/Commission Action:

The Committee recommended amending the document to include these edits and they are noted by redline with corresponding detailed comments in the attached Guiding Principles documents. A clean copy of both the Federal & State documents are attached for the Council's perusal as well.

Update since Jan. 21 Council Mtg: The attached redlined State agenda includes yellow highlighted language with recommended additions from the Committee that have been added since the Jan. 21 Council Meeting.

Recommendation:

Staff and the Legislative Committee recommends adoption of the amended 2020 State Legislative Guiding Principles.