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2017 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

1. **SADOWSKI AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM** – URGE the Florida Legislature to fully fund the Sadowski affordable housing programs.
2. **ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES - SECURITY AND DISTANCE** - SUPPORT changes to the Florida Statute governing Assisted Living Facilities (ALFs) and Community Residential Homes to provide for greater security for residents and the community and to prohibit an ALF/Community Residential Home in a single-family or duplex residential neighborhood from accepting individuals diverted from the criminal justice system.
3. **NUISANCE ABATEMENT** - SUPPORT amendments to Florida Statutes that would expand the definition of a public nuisance to include three (3) instances of felony possession of narcotics.
4. **FILM TAX CREDITS** – SUPPORT legislation that would extend additional tax credits to the film industry in Florida.
5. **MIAMI RIVER TUNNEL** – INCLUDE the project in FDOT's Capital Plan.
6. **NEW STARTS PROGRAM** – SUPPORT amendments to Florida Statutes that increase State New Starts Funding from 12.5% to 25% for non-federal locally funded projects.
7. **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** – SUPPORT funding for the City's emergency management needs.
8. **PUBLIC RECORDS SUITS/LEGISLATIVE REFORM** - SUPPORT legislation that would amend/clarify Chapter 119 to prevent abuse of the public records statute.
9. **SHADE MEETINGS/EXECUTIVE SESSION** - SUPPORT legislation that would amend FS § 286.11 regarding shade meetings for *anticipated* litigation. Currently, executive sessions are only held when there is *pending* litigation. The City supports amending the section to state that executive sessions can also be held when litigation is *anticipated*.
10. **VACATING AN ARBITRATION AWARD** – AMEND F.S. § 682.13 to permit Circuit Court review from binding arbitrations involving terminations or cases involving relief of duty decisions.
11. **WORKERS COMPENSATION - CHAPTER 440** - SUPPORT amendments to Florida Statute sections that unfairly burden the City of Miami.
12. **OFF-DUTY MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS** – SUPPORT legislation that would create a program to contract for employment of off-duty municipal law enforcement officers for security services.