

City Council – Action Request Form

Date: November 8, 2022

To: Mayor, Mayor Pro Tempore, and Members of the City Council

From: Angela I. Carmon, City Attorney

Council Action Requested:

Resolution Approving the City of Winston-Salem Legislative Priorities for the 2023 Legislative Session

Strategic Focus Area: Economic Vitality and Diversity

Strategic Objective:

Strategic Plan Action Item:

Key Work Item:



Summary of Information:

The North Carolina General Assembly will formally convene in January, 2023. The attached bills and resolutions are recommended for inclusion in the City's 2023 Legislative Priorities package. The bills are as follows:

1. A Bill To Be Entitled An Act to Authorize the City of Winston-Salem To Exempt Certain Properties From System Development Fees for the Development of Affordable Housing. This bill, if enacted, authorizes cities to exempt lots developed for affordable housing from storm water development fees;
2. A Bill To Be Entitled An Act to Authorize Cities to Undertake Activities within their Stormwater Management Programs to Implement Flood Reduction Techniques that Result in Improvements to Private Property. This bill, if enacted, authorizes the repair of storm water systems on private property;

Committee Action:

Committee	<u>CDHGG 11/8/2022</u>	Action	<u>Approval</u>
For	<u>Unanimous</u>	Against	<u></u>

Remarks:

3. A Bill To Be Entitled An Act to Authorize Cities to Employee Civilian Traffic Investigators. This bill, if enacted, authorizes Cities to use civilian employees to conduct investigations of traffic crashes and issue traffic citations under Chapter 20 of the General Statutes;
4. A Bill To Be Entitled An Act to Appropriate Funds to the City of Winston-Salem to Purchase a Ladder Truck for Fire Station 19. This bill, if enacted, appropriates two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for the purchase of a Ladder Truck for Fire Station 19; and
5. A Bill To Be Entitled An Act Authorizing the City of Winston-Salem to Make Grants to Businesses, For-Profit and Nonprofit Organizations that Serve the Public Interest and Well-Being of the Winston-Salem Community. This bill, if enacted, will allow the City to provide grants to businesses, for-profit and non-profit organizations that provide essential services defined, in part, as a critical trade including but limited to groceries stores.

The attached package is recommended for your approval.