



ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 22-44

**Adopting A Legislative Agenda For The 88th Session Of The
Texas Legislature To Include Special Called Sessions Of The
88th Legislature And The Interim**

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Overview

- Review Legislative Program
- Resolution No. 22-44
- IG Committee
- Recommendation
- Questions



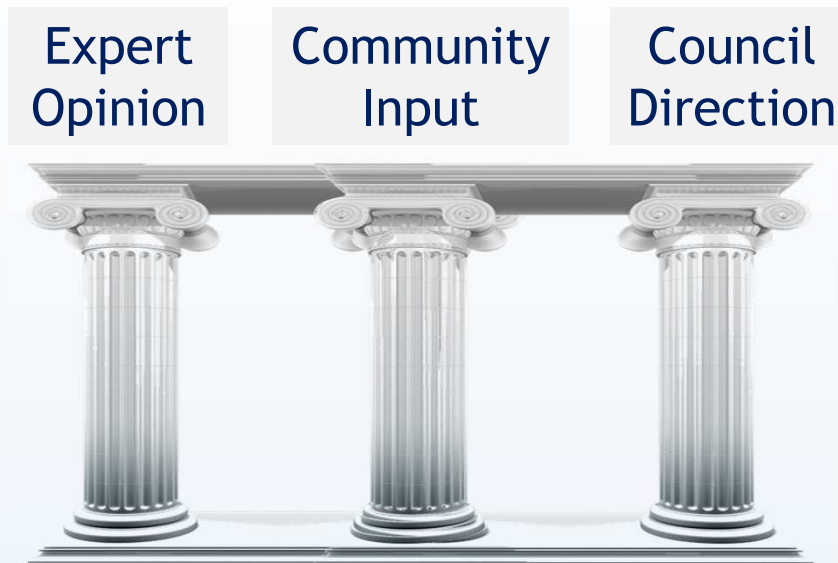
Recap of 87th Legislature

Year	Total Bills Introduced*	Total Bills Passed	City-Related Bills Introduced	City-Related Bills Passed
2003	5754	1621	1200+	110+
2005	5369	1397	1200+	105+
2007	6374	1495	1200+	120+
2009	7609	1468	1500+	120+
2011	6303	1410	1500+	160+
2013	6061	1437	1700+	220+
2015	6476	1329	1600+	220+
2017	6800	1220	2000+	290+
2019	7541	1437	2000+	330+
2021	6927	1073	2000+	240+

*Includes bills and proposed Constitutional amendments; regular sessions only.

Source: TML, 2022

Legislative Program Overview



Legislative Pillars

Path to 88th Legislature

**Community/Business
Considerations**
Spring 2022



IG Committee
Aug – Sept 2022



**Legislative Task
Force**
July – Aug 2022



Implementation
Nov 2022– May 2023



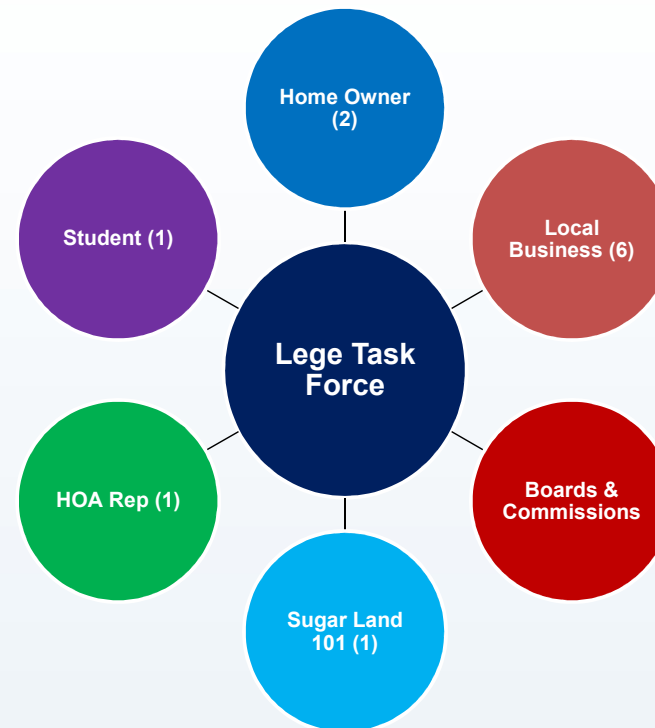
City Council
October 2022



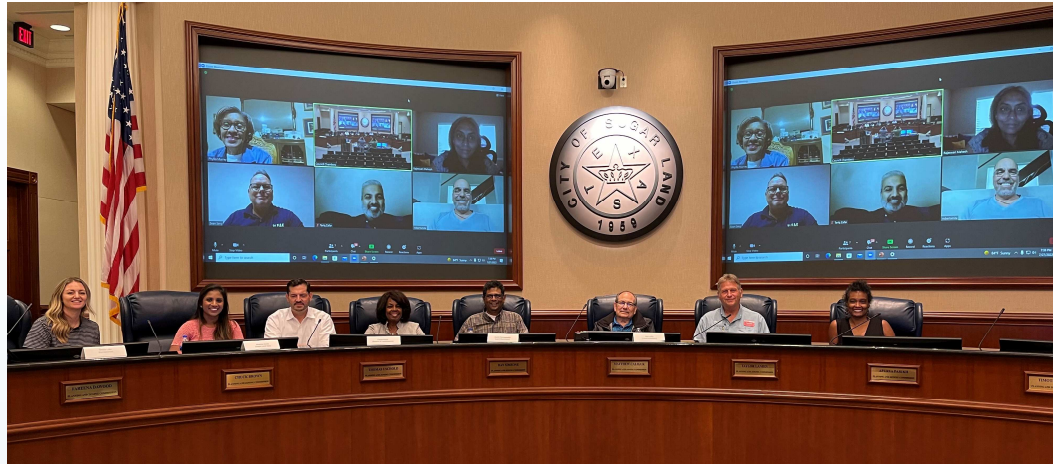
Legislative Citizen Task Force (LTF)

LTF Roles

- Review current agenda
- Provide citizen/business perspective
- Make recommendations
- Grassroots Advocates



Legislative Citizen Task Force (LTF)



- 5 meetings in July-Aug
- Concurred with existing positions
- Offered perspective on new positions

Resolution No. 22-44

- **Meet with legislators prior to the session**
- **Work with partners to pass or defeat legislation**
- **Staff ensures transparency and public engagement**
- **Legislators should understand implications of legislation and seek input of local governments**
- **Legislature should not exempt itself from regulation it would impose on other political subdivisions**
- **Exhibit A lists position statements**

2023-2024 Legislative Program – Exhibit A

Recurring Positions

- Municipal Powers
- Municipal Revenue & Budgeting Authority
- Economic Development
- Land-Use Regulation
- Annexation
- Right-of-Way and Utilities
- Water Resources
- Transportation
- Public Safety / Health
- Purchasing
- Open Meetings / Open Records
- Transparency / Ethics
- City Advocacy
- Elections
- Public Advertising
- Collective Bargaining
- TMRS (retirement system)
- Homeowners Associations (HOAs)

New for the 88th

Active/Mass Shootings

Support increases to state funding for mental health.

Support legislation that provides additional funding to law enforcement agencies to receive increased active shooter training and equipment to protect officers.



New for the 88th

Active/Mass Shootings

Support legislation that provides for all officers who respond to active shooter incidents, including command level officers, to receive active shooter training.

New for the 88th

Active/Mass Shootings

Support expansion of current background check requirements to include review of juvenile records, including checks with state databases and local law enforcement, for the purposes of determining whether the individual has a juvenile record that meets criteria under existing law that disqualifies them from purchasing a firearm.

New for the 88th

Active/Mass Shootings

Support the passage of extreme risk protection order programs that strictly allow for due process and are designed to keep guns out of the hands of criminals, domestic abusers, terrorists (foreign and domestic), or those who intend to harm themselves or others to ensure that threats are identified before shootings occur.

New for the 88th

Catalytic Converter Theft

Support legislation that strengthens current law as it relates to catalytic converter theft and prevention, including increasing penalties for auto repair facilities and individual sellers who resell or are in possession of stolen catalytic converters.



New for the 88th

Solid Waste Franchise Fees

Oppose legislation that would diminish the City's authority to charge solid waste franchise fees, enforce solid waste licenses, or maintain a solid waste franchise agreement.



IG Committee

Roles

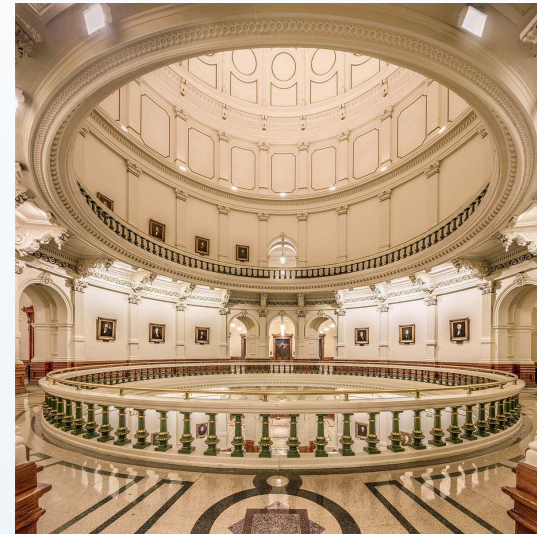
- **Receives input from LTF and experts**
- **Actively engage with legislators**
- **Creates draft legislative agenda for City Council approval**

IG Committee Recommendation

- **At September 20, 2022 meeting, IG Committee finalized the draft agenda and recommended it to be brought before the full City Council**

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of Resolution No. 22-44 adopting the Legislative Agenda for the 88th Session of the Texas Legislature.



CLARIFYING QUESTIONS FOR STAFF

COUNCIL MOTION & DISCUSSION



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