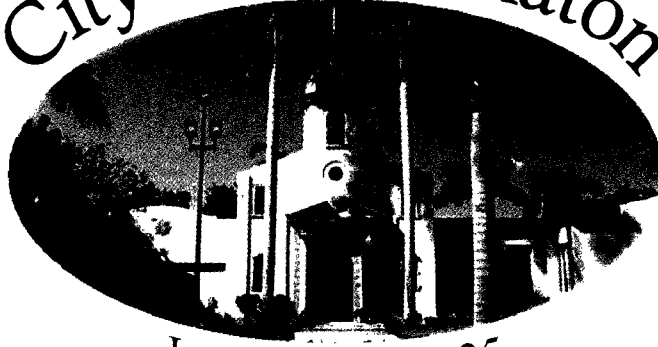


City of Boca Raton



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RESOLUTION

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2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BOCA RATON
3 APPROVING THE CITY'S YEAR 2019 FEDERAL
4 LEGISLATIVE AND FUNDING PRIORITIES; PROVIDING
5 FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER;
6 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
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8 WHEREAS, the City Council, the City Manager, and City staff have reviewed the
9 needs of the City with regard to the Year 2019 Sessions of the United States Congress; and

10 WHEREAS, the City's numerous Federal-level legislative priorities and funding needs
11 have been identified; now therefore

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13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOCA
14 RATON:

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16 Section 1. The City Council hereby approves the recommended Federal Legislative
17 and Funding Priorities for the Year 2019 Sessions of the United States Congress, as specifically
18 set forth in the attached Exhibit A.
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Section 2. The City Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to all members of the United States Congress representing the City of Boca Raton and to the City lobbyist.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this resolution is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and hereby are repealed.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Boca Raton this 27th day of November, 2018.

CITY OF BOCA RATON, FLORIDA

ATTEST:

Susan S. Saxton
Susan S. Saxton, City Clerk

Scott Singer
Scott Singer, Mayor

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COUNCIL VOTE			
	YES	NO	ABSTAINED
MAYOR SCOTT SINGER	✓	✓	
DEPUTY MAYOR JEREMY RODGERS	✓	✓	
COUNCIL MEMBER MONICA MAYOTTE	✓	✓	
COUNCIL MEMBER ANDREA LEVINE O'ROURKE	✓	✓	
COUNCIL MEMBER ANDY THOMSON	✓	✓	

City of Boca Raton
2019 Federal Legislative and Funding Priorities

- Support Federal legislation and funding to support City initiatives for infrastructure and programs in all areas of municipal services, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - City grant applications and general funding requests
 - Water and wastewater (WIFIA, SRF and other similar Grant/Funding programs))
 - Stormwater, including Municipal Separate Stormwater Sewer System Federal mandate
 - FEMA flood zone mapping addressing current property conditions
 - Disaster preparedness and recovery
 - Homeland security
 - Passenger rail service on the FEC corridor
 - Local transit and transportation systems, including shuttle services
 - Environmental cleanup, protection, and education
 - Fair share of economic stimulus or similar funding
 - Continued Community Development Block Grant funding for enhancements in existing program neighborhoods and public service programs with no formula changes that would negatively impact future funding
 - Renewable energy systems including solar energy

- Support Federal legislation upholding and oppose legislation diminishing home rule authority through local regulations, responsive to local conditions, in all areas of municipal governance, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - Water/Sewer utility oversight, including regulations affecting reclaimed water
 - Federal performance and reporting policies for municipal activities, including law enforcement and utilities
 - Federal asset sharing with local law enforcement
 - Pension reform and funding
 - Healthcare and health insurance mandates
 - Sales and use taxes, including Internet based services
 - Tax-exempt status of municipal bonds
 - Communications services and franchising
 - Regulation of placement of telecommunications services facilities
 - Regulation of local rights-of-way
 - Zoning regulations, including short-term rental properties, group homes, substance abuse treatment facilities, and “sober homes”
 - Minimum Federal performance standards for recovery residences and substance abuse treatment facilities

- Support legislation and rule-making allowing for enhanced local zoning regulations for group homes, including “sober homes” and other recovery residences, recognizing that such facilities do not function as traditional residences while continuing to acknowledge and support the interests of disabled persons residing in licensed group homes

- Support the clarification of ADA requirements of electronic media platforms for state and local governments and similar legislation recognizing a current trend of filing suits against governments for data and information provided for governmental transparency

- Oppose offshore oil and gas exploration and drilling, including seismic airgun blasting