

## TOWN OF HORIZON CITY MEMORANDUM

Date:

February 7, 2025

To:

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

Teresa Quezada, CIP Manager

From:

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SUBJECT:

Discussion and Action: On a Resolution establishing priorities for the 89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session in Texas, and authorizing the Mayor and his designees to communicate with the Office of the Governor and the Texas Legislature on behalf of the Town of Horizon City, Texas

The attached resolution establishes the Town's legislative priorities for the 89th Legislative

Municipalities adopt legislative priorities to

- Articulate policy priorities that may be affected by state legislative action;
- Make their policy priorities public to their constituents;
- Share their policy priorities with their respective state delegation; and
- Provide guidance to elected officials, approved representatives, and staff.

The Legislative Priorities Resolution becomes the document that establishes the Town's priorities and identifies proposed legislation the Town will either support or oppose. This session, the Town's priorities support interlocal cooperation, local democracy, preservation of municipal authority, protection of municipal revenue and the Texas Municipal League's legislative program. The priorities oppose legislation that preempts locally elected leaders' opportunities to respond to challenges their communities face; legislation that hinders the City's abilities to plan for long-term land use among other planning activities; legislation that reduces local revenue sources; and legislation that prohibits expenditure of municipal funds on activities that help the city track, understand or influence legislation.

The resolution authorizes the Mayor and his designees to advocate on behalf of the City in a manner consistent with the priorities articulated in the resolution.

Upon Council's approval, the resolution will be forwarded to the state delegation and the Texas Municipal Leage.

Staff recommends approval.