

## M E M O R A N D U M

**To:** Town Commission  
**From:** Howard Tipton, Town Manager  
**Report date:** September 19, 2023  
**Meeting date:** September 26, 2023  
**Subject:** Establishing the Town's 2024 Legislative Priorities

### **Recommended Action**

Establish the Town of Longboat Key Legislative Priorities for the 2024 Legislative Session

### **Background**

Each year the Town Commission considers legislative priorities for the upcoming legislative session and for presentation at the Manatee and Sarasota County Legislative Delegation Hearings.

Attached are the proposed 2024 Town of Longboat Key Legislative Priorities. The items listed are consistent with the Town's 2023 Legislative Priorities with two additions at the end including #13 - opposing legislation that increases existing sovereign immunity limits, and #14 - opposing legislation that mandates expedited building permit review and issuance.

The Town Manager and Town Attorney reviewed the list with David Ramba, the Town's lobbyist, and agreed the list is still relevant for the 2024 Legislative Session with the noted additions. The proposed 2024 Legislative Priorities will be presented for Commission consideration at the September 26, 2023, Regular Workshop. We can add, subtract, or edit any of the items on the list. We will also ask if the Commission would like to adjust the order of the items on the list to reflect a particular priority.

The Florida League of Cities 2023 Legislative Action Agenda is attached for reference. They have three Legislative Policy Committee meetings coming up this fall to discuss 2024 Legislative Platform. The ManaSota League of Cities 2024 Legislative Priorities were adopted at their September 14, 2023. They are attached. Sarasota County and Manatee County's 2024 Legislative Priorities have not been finalized at this time. We do have Sarasota County's draft document and have included for reference. Also included are notes from Manatee County's September 19, 2023 Work Session where there was a discussion on State Legislative Priorities.

After discussion and upon adoption at the 9/26/23 5:01 pm Special Meeting, the Mayor and Town Manager will present the Town's Legislative Priorities at the Sarasota County Legislative Delegation meeting on October 26, 2023, and at the Manatee County Legislative Delegation hearing on October 5, 2023.

**Staff Recommendation**

Establish the Town of Longboat Key's Legislative Priorities for the 2024 Legislative Session.

**Attachments** (Available in Town Clerk's Office)

- A. Proposed 2024 Town of Longboat Key Legislative Priorities
- B. Florida League of Cities 2023 Legislative Action Agenda
- C. ManaSota League of Cities 2024 Adopted Legislative Priorities
- D. Sarasota County's 2024 DRAFT Legislative Priorities
- E. Notes from Manatee County's 9/19/23 Work Session

**End of Agenda Item**