

Legislative Agenda E-Mail from Eldon James and Associates, Inc.

Good Morning and Happy Friday,

Attached is the First Draft of the Regional Legislative Platform for 2019. At this point there are only a couple of changes in this draft from the 2018 final platform:

1. Removal of the Speed limit request as that bill was successful last year.
2. Regarding Cash Proffers/Impact Fees the platform text is largely the same except to say that SB 208, the bill Senator Stuart carried for us in 2018 and "carried over" to 2019, was successfully reported from committee on July 24 and will be on the Senate floor as the 2019 session convenes. We are obviously supporting that bill.

Other observations and questions:

- Do we want to make any other changes, deletions or additions?
- Regarding the CSA Priority Issue - we get a little closer each year and we recommend we keep pushing; we will want to discuss strategy as we move forward.
- Regarding the Smart Scale Priority Issue, if we keep it the same as the 2018 issue we suggest a change in approach. Last year the bills dealt with all changes in 1 bill; we believe introducing 3 separate bills should improve the chances of some of the proposed reforms. In 2018 those opposed to only parts of the bills worked against the entire bill. Splitting the changes will do the same with those opposed.
- Finally, it appears that some greater effort will be made this year to bring Mental Health reforms forward, timing seems to be right. That said, we may want to refine that issue in the platform and/or move to a higher priority.

Please let us know your thoughts and reactions, I have meetings scheduled with some of you in the coming weeks, for those I don't I would be happy to schedule something. We would like to develop the next draft in the September/October time frame.

Thank you and enjoy the rest of the summer.

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