

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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Federal Legislative Update (B)

The City Commission will receive a report from staff regarding legislative affairs.

As part of the process to file Federal appropriation requests for the projects included in the City of Gainesville's 2008 Federal Legislative Statement the projects must be prioritized. Staff has worked closely with the City's Federal lobbying firm, JordenBurt, to rank the City's requests in priority order. The list is based on the project's importance to the City of Gainesville and its potential to be funded during the upcoming legislative session.

The priority ranking suggested by staff and JordenBurt is:

- 1. Traffic Management System \$9 Million
- 2. Downtown Revitalization Initiative Depot Park \$9.5 Million
- 3. Public Transportation Initiative RTS Replacement Buses \$14 Million
- 4. Homeless Housing and Services Initiative 10-year Plan to End Homelessness \$2.8 Million
- 5. Housing Enhancement Initiative Southeast Gainesville Renaissance \$3.3 Million
- 6. Education Initiative \$636,800
- 7. Public Transportation Initiative RTS Operations Facility Expansion \$2 Million
- 8. Public Transportation Initiative RTS Multimodal Transportation Center \$3 Million

The City of Gainesville is requesting a total of \$44,236,800 in Federal funds.

City Commission: 1) Receive the priority ranking of the City of Gainesville's 2008 Federal funding requests as suggested by staff; and 2) approve the ranking as submitted by staff.

Alternative Recommendation: City Commission: 1) Receive the priority ranking of the City of Gainesville's 2008 Federal funding requests suggested by staff; 2) make a motion to amend priority rankings; and 3) approve the amended list.