

# City of Gainesville

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# **Legislation Text**

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#### 2006 State Legislative Statement (B)

## The City Commission will finalize and prioritize its 2006 State Legislative requests

Annually, the City Commission adopts a State Legislative Statement for presentation to the Alachua County Legislative Delegation.

The Legislative Subcommittee met on November 8, 2005, and developed prioritized lists of funding requests and of legislative requests. Subsequently, staff has prepared detailed descriptions of each item. The Legislative Subcommittee prioritized the project funding requests as follows:

- 1st Priority Regional Traffic Management Project, \$16 Million
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Priority Water Project Requests, \$10.478 Million
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Priority Regional Juvenile Crime Prevention Initiative (Reichert House), \$150,000
- 4th Priority Regional Groundwater Monitoring Network and Protection of Water Supply
- 5<sup>th</sup> Priority Extension of Centralized Potable Water to Low Income Residents, \$390,000

The Subcommittee also sorted the legislative requests into Tier One and Tier Two, as follows:

#### Tier One:

- A. Public Records Exemption for City and County Prosecutors Enforcing Code Violations
- B. First Responder Funding Issue
- C. Encourage a Mix of Incomes in Florida Housing Finance Corporation Programs
- D. Amend Regulations Governing Use of Student Fees by Community Colleges to Support Transit Services

### Tier Two:

- A. Prohibiting Pricing and Marketing of Alcoholic Beverages
- B. Use of Cameras for Enforcement of Red Light Violations
- C. Operations of Radios or Other Mechanical Sound-Making Devices or Instruments in Vehicles: Loud Car Stereos "Boom Box Initiative
- D. Continue Funding for Affordable Housing
- E. Support for Community Redevelopment Agencies
- F. Front Porch Florida

The City Commission: 1) Accept the recommendations of the Legislative Subcommittee regarding the 2006 State Legislative Statement or make any changes, additions, or deletions as deemed appropriate, 2) prioritize the funding requests, select four or five legislative requests as Tier One, and 3) direct the City Manager to produce the final 2006 State Legislative Statement for presentation at the December 8, 2005 Alachua County Legislative Delegation Hearing.

City Manager's Recommendation: The City Manager has learned that State legislation establishing the Campus Trust Fund, which provides funds to offset the impacts of the University of Florida on host communities, is scheduled to sunset in July 2007. The City Manager recommends that the City Commission add a statement to the 2006 State Legislative Statement advocating for the continuation and full funding of the Campus Trust Fund.