

2020 Legislative Priorities

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2020 State Legislative Agenda



MUNICIPAL PRINCIPLES OVERVIEW

- **Preserve Local Decision-making**
- **Preserve Existing Revenue Sources**
- **Maintain Flexibility in Service Delivery**
- **Preserve Local Investments**



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PLANNING AND GROWTH

- Economic Development
- Colleges & Universities
- Land Use Planning
- Local Water Decisions
- Statewide Water Management

Infrastructure & Transportation

- Highway User Revenue Fund
- Aviation
- Regional Transportation Projects / Planning

PUBLIC SAFETY & WELFARE

- Weapons
- Emergency Response

Fiscal Policy / Revenues / Taxes

- Revenue Protection
- Unfunded Mandates
- Tax Monitoring
- Senate Bill 1487

Local Operations

- Dark Sky City
- Elections
- Supporting Partnerships

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- **Short-term / Vacation Rentals:**

Support legislation in conjunction with stakeholders to allow for local regulations over investor-owned residential properties used as short-term/ vacation rentals. Ensure fairness between hotels, motels, and short-term/ vacation rentals.



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- **State Shared Revenues:**

Oppose new legislation that would further divert shared revenues, especially due to citizen initiatives. Support legislation that will protect and recover state shared revenues to municipalities.

- **Forest Health:**

Advocate for investing in forest health treatments on state-owned land in the Flagstaff region.



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- **State Highway Funds:**

Advocate for additional funding to the Arizona Department of Transportation to plan, build and maintain projects that affect Northern Arizona.

- **Social Service Providers:**

Advocate for 100% funding from the state legislature to fully fund and reimburse all social service providers.



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- **Aquifer Protection Permits:**

Urge ADEQ to require mine specific aquifer protection permits rather than general aquifer protection permits.

- **Emergency Response:**

Support legislation preserving and enhancing the ability of the City to strategically plan for and respond to emergencies protecting the citizens, visitors, assets and natural resources.



2020 Federal Priorities

Economy



Rio de Flag Flood Control

Fully fund this important community project that will remove more than half of the City's residents, as well as the downtown and NAU areas, from the flood plain and protect \$1 billion or more in property assets, as well as encourage future economic development in the Southside.

Museum Fire Recovery

- Support and obtain full reimbursement for exigency expenses through the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) for Museum Fire Flood Mitigation.
 - Support federal funding for watershed stabilization on the Museum Fire Burn Scar and oppose federal guidance and intervention to repurpose RAC (Resource Advisory Committee) funds into federal lands maintenance.
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2020 Federal Priorities Environment



Uranium Mining	Advocate for strengthening the laws, regulations and policies that govern uranium mining to ensure protection for public health and safety.
Strengthen Uranium Transport Standards	Urge Arizona Department of Transportation and/or United States Department of Transportation to strengthen uranium transport standards to reduce the possibility of contamination.
Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advocate to leverage voter approved Flagstaff Watershed Protection Project (FWPP) funding with federal dollars to maximize investments into forest health, including resources for timber sale administration.• Ensure that resources and funding continue to flow to important regional projects such as the Four Forests Restoration Initiative (4FRI), NAU's ecological restoration institute (ERI) and other important forest restoration efforts outside of the 4FRI boundaries.

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Environment



Carbon Fee and Dividend Legislation Urge the federal government to pass carbon fee and dividend legislation in support of climate change mitigation.

Transfer of Federal Lands Oppose the transfer of federal lands to state or municipal governments unless funding has also been provided to effectively manage those lands.

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Social Justice



Affordable Housing

Support legislative action to ensure full funding of Public Housing, Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program and the Community Development Block Grant program.

Immigration Reform

Advocate for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and other federal immigration policies that help keep families together while supporting their higher education goals.

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Transportation and Infrastructure



Flagstaff Airport Advocate for funding projects included in the Flagstaff Airport five-year Capital Improvement Program.

Gasoline Tax Advocate for an increase in the gasoline tax in order to help fund transportation improvements.

Fourth Street Project Advocate for \$15.8 million BUILD grant for the Fourth Street Complete Street Corridor Project.



Questions?

