

Date: February 8, 2011

To: Mayor C. W. McElyea  
Vice Mayor Anne Castro  
Commissioner Bob Anton  
Commissioner Walter B. Duke III  
Commissioner Bobbie H. Grace

From: Robert Baldwin, City Manager

Re: Dania Beach 2011 Legislative Action Agenda

At the Commission Meeting of January 25, 2011, the City Commission approved, by motion (resolution tonight), the lobbyist contract with Carole Duncanson and, at staff's request, tabled the Legislative Package until your next meeting.

Attached for your review is our final 2011 Legislative Action Agenda. The document was designed primarily to express the City's general position on matters before the Florida State Legislature. Though it incorporates the positions of the Florida and Broward League of Cities, it includes a few differences. Among them:

- The document is also designed as an educational tool to give background into the City's position.
- The City's positions flow primarily through our belief in the concept of Home Rule and our position to oppose and discourage Unfunded Mandates from Tallahassee.
- The Leagues' positions are for Municipal Firefighter and Police Officer pension reform, whereas our position is for broader municipal pension reform.
- The Broward League of Cities position is for enabling cities to levy a special assessment for law enforcement, whereas our position is a special assessment more broadly for public safety.
- We included state regulation of pain clinics.
- We included a provision that School Resource Officers/Deputies be funded by the State.

Of course this Action Agenda is not all-inclusive, we anticipate other items may be brought to our attention during the session by our lobbyist. If necessary, we can bring these items to you as they occur for further determination.

If this format is acceptable to you, I suggest you have the Administration update it annually, prior to each session.