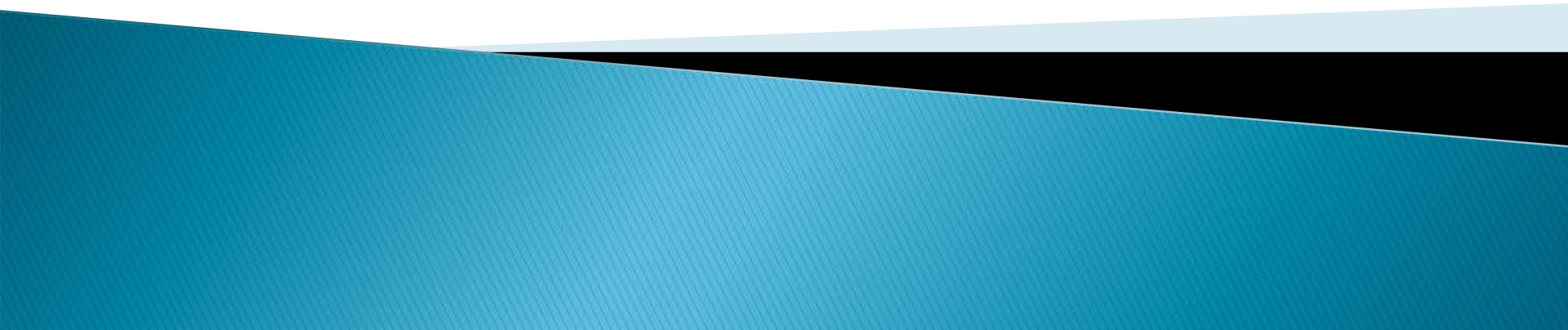
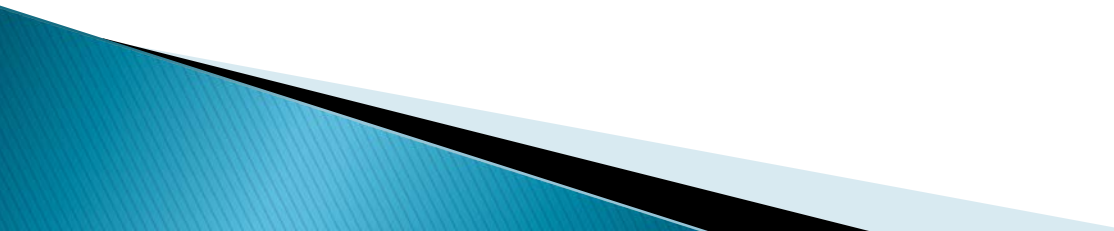


2015 CITY OF AUSTIN LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION



PURPOSE OF BRIEFING

- Discuss Process for Developing Program
 - Overview of 2015 Legislative Program
 - Significant Issues of 84th Legislative Session
 - Significant Legislative Issues facing Austin
 - Timeline and Questions
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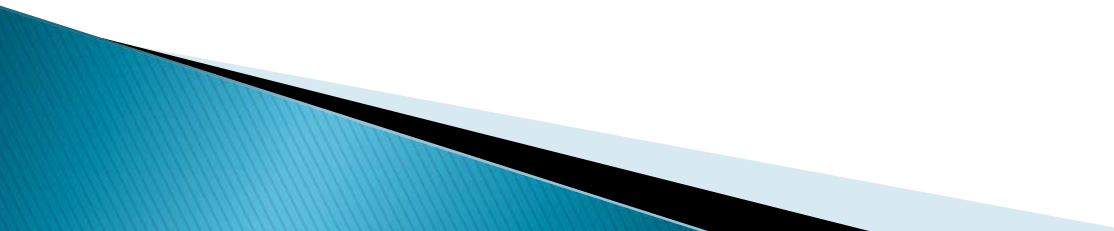
Legislative Program Development Process

Two Development Tracts:

1. City Council and Council Appointees
2. City Management and City Staff

Legislative Program Development Process

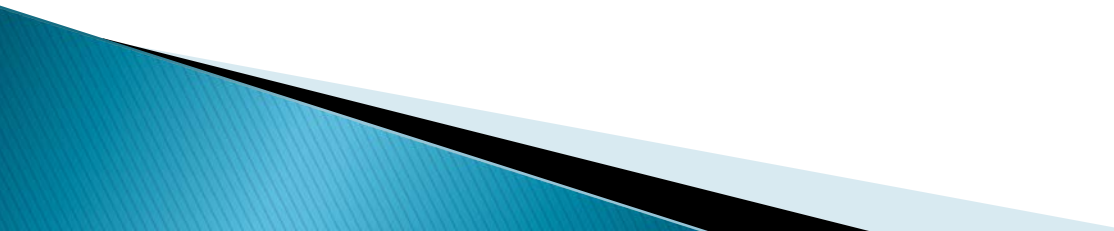
➤ Tract 1 Process: City Council

- GRO meetings with Council Members/ Council Staff to discuss issues
 - City Council Resolutions
 - Determine Council Legislative Priorities
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Legislative Program Development Process


- Tract 2: City Management and City Staff
 - survey sent to departments
 - meetings with departments
 - meetings with CMO

Legislative Program Development Process

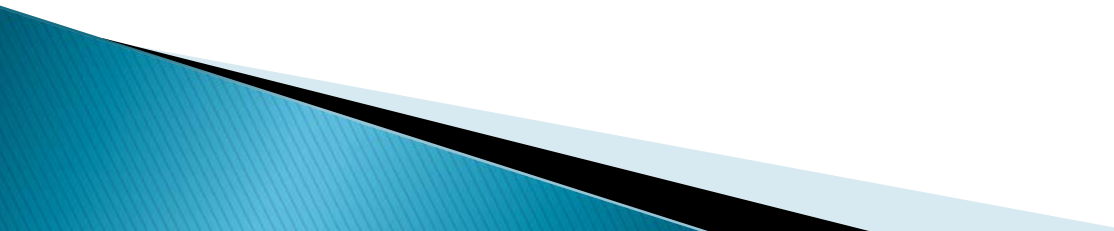
- Proposed Program - Product of 2 Tracts
 - Vetted with City Manager's Executive Team
 - Proposed Program Presented to Council
 - Final Program Adopted by Council
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2015 Legislative Program

Overview of Program

- General Principles: support, endorse, oppose
 - IFCs adopted during/after 83rd Legislative session support (14 items)
 - IFCs adopted after 84th Legislative session program adopted by Council support (2 items)
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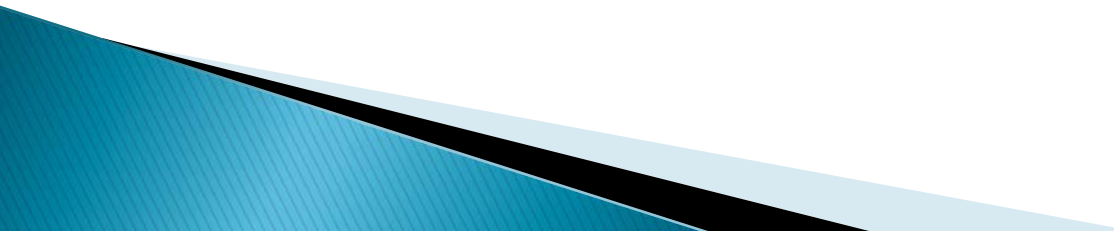
SIGNIFICANT ISSUES OF THE 84th LEGISLATURE

- Budget
 - Tax Cuts/Tax Reform
 - Public/Higher Education
 - Immigration and Border Security
 - Transportation Funding
 - Guns
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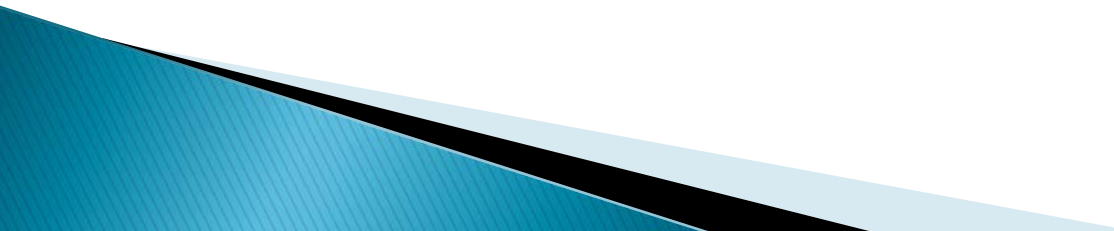
SIGNIFICANT ISSUES FOR AUSTIN

- SB 1945 (Fraser) deregulation of Austin Energy
- HB 3958 (Workman) limits Austin Energy GFT
- HB 1939 (Rinaldi)/SB 1806 (Estes) preempts
- Plastic Bag Ban
- SB 267 (Perry)/HB 2909 (Springer) preempts
- Source of Income ordinance
- HB 2440(Paddie) preempts TNC ordinance
- HB 3448 (Israel) allows de-credentialing decisions of EMS medical director to be appealed to SOAH

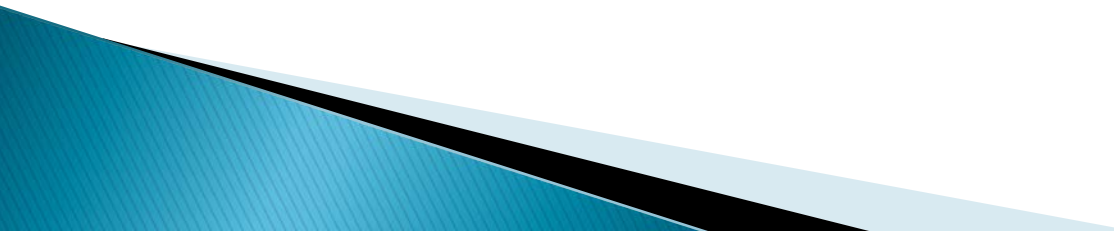
SIGNIFICANT ISSUES FOR AUSTIN

- HB 2073 (Isaac) City of Austin cannot be an “affected” person to protest permits at TCEQ
 - HB 912 (Isaac) prohibits cities from protesting wastewater discharge permits
 - HB 3620 (Isaac) prohibits Austin from extending infrastructure through an unincorporated area in the ETJ to provide water and wastewater services to regional facilities
 - HB 3621 (Isaac) takes away part of the Austin’s ETJ
 - HB 3622 (Isaac) requires Austin to provide water service to a small city in ETJ but prohibits city from recovering cost of service provided
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SIGNIFICANT ISSUES FOR AUSTIN

- SB 182 (Bettencourt) revenue caps
 - HB 2221(Huberty) requires vote to annex/prohibits limited purpose annexation
 - SB 343(Huffines) turns Home Rule cities into General Law cities
 - SB 360 (Estes) regulatory takings
 - HB 1556 (Miller)/SB 1155 (Hall)/HB 1911(Leach) preempt local non-discrimination ordinances
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LEGISLATIVE TIMELINE

- January 13, 2015: Legislature convened
 - March 13, 2015: Filing deadline for statewide bills
 - June 1, 2015: Regular session ends
 - June 21, 2015: Last day for Governor to veto
 - August 31, 2015: Effective date of all new bill adopted unless specific effective date set
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QUESTIONS

