

**RESOLUTION NO. R2021-015**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEQUIM, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A 2022 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND POLICIES.**

**WHEREAS**, all cities in the State of Washington receive their powers from the State of Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, cities provide essential services to much of the state's population; and

**WHEREAS**, cities need legislative reform to help them meet citizen needs in a cost-effective manner; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sequim City Council has developed a list of legislative policies that significantly affect the City of Sequim, as well as the entire Sequim-Dungeness Valley; and

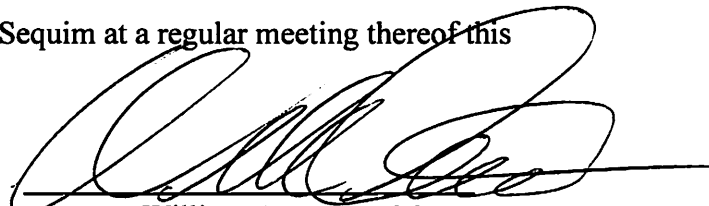
**WHEREAS**, the Sequim City Council asks our legislative delegation to assist in legislative reform to support the City's needs;

**NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEQUIM, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Adoption.** The legislative agenda and policies attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by this reference are hereby adopted.

**Section 2. City Clerk Directed.** The City Clerk is directed to transmit this resolution and its attachment to the Association of Washington Cities and the City of Sequim's legislative delegation.

**APPROVED** by the City Council of the City of Sequim at a regular meeting thereof this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.




William Armacost, Mayor

Attest:



Sara McMillon, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Kristina Nelson-Gross, City Attorney



# 2022 Sequim Legislative Agenda

## TRANSPORTATION

- **US 101 East Sequim Corridor Improvement Project**

Support \$26M in additional funding for the construction phase of the project. The 2021 transportation budget carried forward \$1.3M in funding for the first phase of the project although additional funding is needed to complete the design and permitting. The US Highway 101 East Sequim Corridor Improvements MP 266.1-267.7 project involves the Washington State Department of Transportation conducting a pre-design study and soliciting community outreach. It also includes beginning the detailed design and environmental permitting. A new Transportation Revenue Package must be implemented to secure the total funding request. This project will complete construction of the US 101 Simdars interchange and the extension of East Brownfield Road to Happy Valley and Palo Alto Roads.



- **Transportation Benefit Districts (TBDs) Funding Authority**

Support expanded local authority for TBDs to allow for continued use of the sales tax funding tool beyond the current time limitations of 10 years.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

- **Community Oversight Boards**

Support local control over city law enforcement policies to meet the needs of each community while opposing a mandate that cities require oversight boards that impinge on existing local elected authority and create additional costs. Oppose HB1203 as written.



- **Employer Liability for Actions Caused by Law Enforcement**

Oppose HB1202 as written. Work to adopt amendments to limit and clarify city liability and financial impacts on litigation that are not already addressed by previously enacted police liability laws.

- **Law Enforcement Use of Force/Felony Bar Rule**

Support clarification/cleanup of the civil standards for use of force requirements passed in HB1310 so law enforcement can better understand the state requirements and know when it is allowable in certain situations. Clarify intent of SB 5263, passed last session, which introduced a criminal burden of proof in a civil trial.

## COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE

- **Broadband**

Support policies and funding that provides greater access and equity for broadband infrastructure and services.



## HOUSING, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

- **Supportive Services**

Continue to recognize that these issues are inter-related and that local jurisdictions need continued financial and legislative support to meet legal requirements to benefit all residents, especially in rural areas. Streamline and support increased funding programs for rural areas.

