



# 2020 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FEBRUARY 18, 2020 COUNCIL MEETING



# 2020 Legislative Session

- Second regular session of the 54<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session commenced on January 13, 2020
- Anticipated to last approximately 100 days
- It's a campaign year!



# Strategy

- League of Arizona Cities and Towns role
- Staff review bills as introduced and provides feedback
- Sign in to “Request to Speak” system of Arizona State Legislature





# FY 21 State Budget Outlook

- Largest Arizona state budget in history - \$12.3 billion
- Governor's proposal includes:
  - One time deposit of \$25 million to state rainy day fund
  - HURF funding intact
  - Retains the current ADOR assessment of \$20.8 million
  - Funding for Superstition Vistas Planning Area soil and drainage studies
  - \$28 million to expand I-10 between Phoenix and Tucson



# Tracked Legislation

Bill/Author	Description
HB 2053 (Espinoza) – Exec Sessions; security*	Allows cities to discuss building safety and cybersecurity plans behind closed doors in executive sessions.
HB 2055 (Biasiucci) – Civil Traffic Violations	Allows a person who receives a civil traffic violation to perform court-approved community restitution instead of paying a civil penalty.
HB 2551 (Osborne) – Heritage Fund*	Allocates \$10M to the state's Heritage Fund in support of local, regional and state parks, trails and historic preservation.
HB 2705 (Shope) – Abandoned Buildings	Allows for registry for vacant and abandoned building owners. De-incentivizes buildings from remaining vacant.
HB 2791 (Townsend) – SR 88 Repair	Appropriates \$15 million in FY 21 and again in FY 22 for repairs necessary to reopen State Route 88.
SB 1280 (Mesnard) – Pensions: unfunded liability	Would remove payments to PSPRS/ASRS unfunded liability from consideration in the calculation of the city's expenditure limitation; the unfunded liability would be required to be considered a long-term obligation required by a contract.

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HB 2028 (Fillmore) – Candidate Signs	Extends the time period that political signs can be placed in the right-of-way prior to primary election from 60 days to 120 days.
HB 2305 (Townsend) – Private Trash Providers	Prohibits cities from criminally enforcing any requirements for residents to maintain solid waste services through a private provider.
HB 2313 (Grantham) – Existing Buildings; sprinklers	Prohibits cities from requiring installation of sprinklers in existing building with occupancy of 300 or more and serves alcohol unless the building is being remodeled or undergoing major renovation.
HB 2389 (Townsend) – Public Nuisance; noise	Requires a prosecution for public nuisance noise violation to be substantiated by recording by a peace officer with a Type 1 sound meter.
HB 2615 (Griffin) – Vacant Buildings: utilities	Prohibits cities from requiring vacant property to maintain utilities after two years of being vacant.
SB 1667 (Gowan)	Allows for arterial fireworks in counties with population in excess of 500,000.





Questions?

