

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	November 20, 2023
Action Required:	Vote of Approval (by motion, no resolution(s) required)
Presenter:	Lloyd Snook, Leah Puryear
Staff Contacts:	Jacob Stroman, City Attorney
Title:	<b>City Council Proposed Legislative Positions for 2024</b>

### **Background**

Each year, the localities in the Thomas Jefferson Planning District (TJPD) region adopt legislative priorities and positions on issues of importance and concern to local governments. These positions form the basis for local advocacy efforts during the General Assembly session each winter. The City Attorney's Office works in conjunction with TJPD's legislative liaison during the session to provide advocacy on behalf of the City's interests. Additionally, City Council establishes a statement of legislative positions as a means of communicating to legislators (i) issues of specific concern and interest to Council, and (ii) requests, if any, for legislative action items.

### **Discussion**

*City Position Statements:* Mayor Snook and Councilor Puryear (Council's Legislative Committee) have been preparing a proposed set of legislative position statements for City Council's consideration at the December 4, 2023 meeting.

### **Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan**

All proposals align with City Council's vision for Charlottesville as a "place where everyone thrives".

### **Community Engagement**

Council engages with the community continually.

### **Budgetary Impact**

N/A

### **Recommendation**

It is recommended that City Council, after reviewing the positions recommended by its Legislative Committee, make a motion to approve those positions.

***Suggested Motion: "I move to approve the Statement of the City Council's 2024 Legislative Positions, as presented by Council's Legislative Committee on December 4, 2023."***

### **Alternatives**

City Council is not required to provide legislative position statements to local legislators, so City Council may decline to do so.

### **Attachments**

1. 2024 Draft Legislative Position Statement.11.13.23