

Growth Management

- ▶ Maintain county authority to regulate development
- ▶ Support interlocal agreements on CRA and TIF issues

Infrastructure Funding

▶ State Funding

- Add state infrastructure revenue
- Modify SIS criteria
- Fund U.S. 41 improvements

▶ Developer Share

- Study effect of proportionate share formula
- Maintain strong concurrency requirements
- Oppose unilateral pay-and-go provisions

▶ Local Funding

- Maintain impact fee authority
- Allow local gas tax indexing
- Fund Phillippi Creek Septic Tank Replacement Program

Support Sustainable Local Revenue

- ▶ Fully fund Affordable Housing and Environmental Trust Funds
- ▶ Authorize use of Infrastructure Surtax for hurricane shelter construction and retrofitting
- ▶ Support efforts to reduce or eliminate red tide
- ▶ Encourage hydrogen technology

Sustainable State Revenue Practices

- ▶ Repeal state sales tax exemptions
- ▶ Oppose making homestead exemptions portable

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GROWTH MANAGEMENT

County Development Authority

OPPOSE modifications to the Florida statutes which erode county authority to regulate developments within the County, including modifications to the statutory sections pertaining to the Developments of Regional Impact (DRI), Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRA), and Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

CRA and TIF Agreements

SUPPORT efforts to require inter-local agreements between counties and cities before establishing or modifying the boundaries of a CRA or TIF plan.

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

State Funding

SUPPORT efforts to identify additional continuing state revenue sources for funding infrastructure.

SUPPORT modifying the TRIP program to reduce local match for those counties that use all available local revenue sources for roads.

Strategic Intermodal System

SUPPORT redirecting state program funds to the Strategic Intermodal System for counties that have adopted the ELMS gas tax and other local transportation funding sources.

SUPPORT efforts to amend the criteria for the system so that segments of U.S. 41 would be included.

Venice 41 Bypass Funding

SUPPORT efforts to fund the Venice 41 Bypass highway.

Developer Share

SUPPORT efforts to require a study of the effect of a proportionate share formula ordinance on state and local transportation systems, existing concurrency requirements, emergency response and evacuation systems, and local development before requiring adoption of a proportionate share ordinance.

Concurrency Requirements

SUPPORT requirements that infrastructure facilities, water supply and schools be in place concurrent with the impacts of new development.

SUPPORT efforts to ensure that concurrency is not weakened through additional exemptions and waivers or pay and go provisions.

Pay-and-go provisions

OPPOSE reducing the authority of local governments to manage and plan for growth and enforce concurrency requirements by allowing developers, without prior county approval, to pay an estimated amount for future infrastructure needs and go forward with construction, by causing demands on existing infrastructure and violating the intent of concurrency.

Local Funding

Impact Fees

OPPOSE efforts to diminish or eliminate county ability to impose impact fees.

Local Option Gas Taxes

SUPPORT legislation providing counties with the authority to index their local option gas taxes.

Phillippi Creek Septic System Replacement Program

SECURE up to \$2 million of additional state funding for this program.

SUSTAINABLE LOCAL REVENUE PRACTICES

OPPOSE any attempts to shift the costs of government services and programs from the state to the county.

Environmental Trust Funds and Affordable Housing Funding

SUPPORT the continuation of state documentary stamp funded trust accounts that have previously been established by the Legislature.

SUPPORT full funding of the Florida Erosion control Trust Fund for coastal erosion control projects.

OPPOSE any attempt to divert money from the Ecosystem Management and Restoration Trust Fund, the Inland Protection Trust fund or the Air Trust Fund.

SUPPORT retaining the SHIP Program (aka the Sadowski Fund) as originally conceived, leaving the full amount of dedicated documentary tax revenues to be allocated toward state and local affordable housing programs.

Hurricane Shelter Construction and Retrofit Funding

Use of Infrastructure Surtax

MODIFY infrastructure surtax statutes by changing the definition of "public facility" to allow use of the surtax to harden private buildings for use as public shelters or staging areas during a declared emergency.

Red Tide

SUPPORT efforts to reduce or eliminate frequent red tide algae blooms in the Gulf of Mexico, specifically support funding research efforts that correlate environmental factors.

Hydrogen Energy Technology Act

SUPPORT efforts to advance the market for hydrogen energy technologies in the state.

SUPPORT legislation that establishes grants for demonstration and commercialization projects and for research and development relating to hydrogen technologies.

SUSTAINABLE STATE REVENUE PRACTICES

State Tax Reform

SUPPORT expanding the state's General Fund revenue base by repealing state sales tax exemptions.

SUPPORT the state's movement to join the interstate simplified sales tax consortium to place the state in a position of imposing a sales tax on internet sales transactions.

OPPOSE state efforts which result in forcing counties to increase ad valorem (property) taxes to pay for (former) state programs and/or services - in particular those which focus on using local property taxes to fund state programs.

Homestead Exemptions

OPPOSE efforts to include a portable Save our Homes provision Constitutional Amendment.