

State Legislative Update and Outlook

LEGISLATIVE AD HOC COMMITTEE

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PURPOSE

- Provide Texas legislative outlook
- Discuss potential statewide legislative issues
- Discuss City of Dallas general statement of intent and timeline for further development

REVIEW OF POLITICAL CLIMATE

State Leadership

- Governor: Greg Abbott
- Lt Governor: Dan Patrick
- Attorney General: Ken Paxton
- Comptroller: Glenn Hegar



REMAINDER OF 2016

Retirements and Turnover

- 15+ Retirements in House and Senate; significant change in leadership

Key Retirements

- Rep. Otto (Chair, Appropriations)
- Rep. Sylvester Turner (Chair, Appropriations, Articles I, IV & V)
- Rep. McClendon (Chair, Rules and Resolutions)
- Rep. Keffer (Chair, Natural Resources)
- Rep. Crownover (Chair, Public Health)
- Rep. Aycock (Chair, Public Education)
- Sen. Fraser (Chair, Natural Resources and Economic Development)
- Sen. Eltife (Chair, Business and Commerce)



DATES OF INTEREST

- Tuesday, November 8, 2016: General Election
- Monday, November 14, 2016: Prefiling of legislation for the 85th Legislature
- Tuesday, January 10, 2017: Legislature convenes
- Tuesday, March 7, 2017: Legislative Reception in Austin with City of Dallas and Dallas Regional Chamber
- Saturday, March 11, 2017: Bill filing deadline
- Monday, May 29, 2017: Last day of session [*Sine Die*]
- Sunday, June 18: Last day of veto period



85TH SESSION POTENTIAL STATE-WIDE ISSUES

- Budget
 - School Finance
 - Transportation and Infrastructure
- Local Control
 - Pre-emption
 - Fiscal Authority



PRIORITY INITIATIVES

The City of Dallas will:

- Support legislation to maintain home-rule authority and facilitate the provision of services to Dallas residents
- Oppose legislation that pre-empts home-rule authority
- Form strategic alliances with other jurisdictions and stakeholders to advance the City's legislative goals