

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2017
1:00 PM
MUNICIPAL PLAZA BUILDING, C ROOM**

Members Present:	Councilmember Joe Krier, Chair, <i>District 9</i> Councilmember Rebecca Viagran, <i>District 3</i> Councilmember Ron Nirenberg, <i>District 8</i>
Members Absent:	None
Staff Present:	Jeff Coyle (<i>By teleconference</i>), <i>Director of Government & Public Affairs</i> ; Juan Ayala, <i>Director of Military Affairs</i> ; Christine Wright, <i>Sr. Management Analyst</i> ; Alicia K. Beckham, <i>Office of the City Clerk</i>

Item 1. Update on the proposed legislation from the 85th State Legislative Session [Jeff Coyle, Director, Government & Public Affairs]

Jeff Coyle reported that the Texas Senate unanimously passed its budget and that \$46 million was allocated to Alamo Funding. He stated that at the Revenue Cap Hearing; there were city mayors, police chiefs, and fire chiefs in opposition to the Revenue Cap Bill. He noted that the bill was passed out of the Senate State Finance Committee and the Senate. He added that the bill was amended in the Committee from a 4% to a 5% cap.

Chairperson Krier asked that the Finance Department calculate what the numbers would be if there was a 5% cap for the past 10 years. Mr. Coyle stated that the Department was calculating what the percentage would look like on a multi-year average.

Mr. Coyle reported that the Bathroom Bill passed out of the Senate State Affairs Committee and the Senate. He stated that the Senate had no funding to contribute to the Defense Economic Adjustment Grant (DEAG) Program. He noted that SB 744 was passed out of the Intergovernmental Relations Committee and added that it would affect the City's current tree ordinance. He mentioned that SB 4 had been passed out of the Senate and moved to House State Affairs Committee to be heard.

Mr. Coyle reported that the amendment to the Statewide Texting Ban failed. He stated that the City was in support of SB 1229 because it allowed counties to mandate trash pickup in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). He noted that the City had concerns about SB 1004 because it would reduce the fees that the City charged a telecom service to place a cell on a City Pole. He added that the bill would allow the telecom services to place cells on municipal property.

Councilmember Nirenberg stated that the chairperson of the FCC could set Federal Policies similar to SB 1004 and that staff should watch for similar bills at the federal level.

No action was required for Item 1.

Consideration of items for future meetings:

Next Meeting Scheduled: April 5, 2017

Adjourn

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Alicia K. Beckham
Office of the City Clerk



Joe Kriet, Chairperson