



CITY *of* CALABASAS

## **2024 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM**

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### **PURPOSE**

The City of Calabasas 2024 Legislative Platform confirms the City Council’s positions on various legislative topics and matters of interest to the City, and provides a general policy framework for City staff to actively monitor and respond to proposed legislation in a timely manner.

### **POLICY STATEMENTS**

#### **Environmental Leadership**

Support:

1. Funding and other incentives for local government and private industry projects and planning strategies to promote sustainability in infrastructure and operations, greater energy efficiency, and lower energy usage, to the extent practical.
2. Legislation aimed at increasing the availability and funding for water conservation, water reuse technologies, local water storage, and overall ability to be a sustainable community.

#### **Fiscal Resiliency**

Support:

3. Economic development initiatives to preserve and enhance the City’s positive business climate, ensuring the maintenance and growth of the City’s business tax base.

#### **Land Use Planning**

Support:

4. Legislation that strengthens the capability of local agencies to prepare, adopt, and implement plans for orderly growth, development, beautification and conservation of local planning areas.
5. Measures which support meeting the State’s planning goals while maintaining local control, ensuring communities evolve in a manner that reflects resident concerns and protects the public’s health, safety, and welfare.
6. Legislation that limits housing density in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.

Oppose:

7. Legislation that aims to supersede a jurisdiction's control of its own land use, zoning, or housing production standards, as well as any measure that would undermine established general plan, zoning, and housing documents.

**Recreation, Youth, and Senior Services**

Support:

8. Legislation and funding which protects and preserves open space and parkland in and surrounding Calabasas.
9. Measures and funding that seek to preserve, expand, or enhance the recreation trails within and directly connected to Calabasas.

**Public Safety & Emergency Preparedness**

Support:

10. Legislation increasing resources and local authority for the abatement of crime.
11. Measures and funding for the implementation of innovative crime fighting strategies that rely on the increased use of technology.
12. Legislation and measures that promote a sustainable strategy for the purchase of wildfire insurance.
13. Legislation, strategies, and funding that promotes wildfire and disaster mitigation, preparedness, resiliency, and recovery efforts.

**Development and Infrastructure**

Support:

14. Support increased State and Federal funding of transportation improvements with regional benefits for all modes of transportation.
15. Efforts to maintain and increase funding for streets and road maintenance, transportation infrastructure, and traffic congestion relief programs.
16. Legislation and funding that assists in the installation of broadband infrastructure, and accessibility of high-speed internet.
17. Legislation requiring electricity operators to enhance the energy grid to minimize Public Safety Power Shutoffs and mandates utilities to coordinate operations more closely with local agencies.