

The City has adopted the following positions for the 87th Texas legislative session:

### Prevailing Wage Rates

Cities should pay prevailing wages on public works contracts. Victoria **supports** H.B. 633 and S.B. 518, which would provide more accurate determinations of locally prevailing wages. Mayor McCoy requested this legislation based on his experience as an architect.

### Local Incentives for Hotel and Convention Centers

Rural communities need tools to promote economic development. Victoria **supports** H.B. 2977 and S.B. 1505, which would allow Hotel Occupancy Tax to incentivize a qualified hotel and convention center. City staff proposed this legislation based on tools already available in other communities.

### Local Fuel Tax Election

Victoria **supports** H.B. 4183, which would allow an election for a one-cent-per-gallon fuel tax to pay for street construction, maintenance, and policing.

### After-Hours Alcohol Consumption

Victoria **supports** H.B. 1067 to tighten the limit on drinking in public after bars close.

### Sourcing of Sales Tax at the Shipping Destination

Taxes should benefit the citizens who pay them. Victoria **supports** H.B. 2410, H.B. 4072, S.B. 1332, and destination-sourcing of sales tax. Victoria **opposes** H.B. 4457, S.B. 1038, and origin-sourcing of sales tax.

### Community Advocacy

Communities should be able to hire professional legislative experts. Victoria **opposes** H.B. 749, S.B. 234, S.B. 10, and other prohibitions on governmental lobbying.

### Less-Lethal Projectiles

Victoria Police Department already has strong, effective procedures to limit excessive force. Victoria **opposes** H.B. 1513 because it prohibits officers from using less-lethal projectiles for crowd control.

### Payment of Debt Service

Victoria **opposes** H.B. 1869 which would require the city to pay some debt service from its Maintenance and Operations tax rate.

### Franchise Fee Caps

Private enterprises using public facilities should pay for reasonable wear and tear. Victoria **opposes** H.B. 753 and arbitrary limits on franchise fees.

### Enforcement of Emergency Management Plans

Local disaster orders need to be enforceable. Victoria **opposes** H.B. 3784, which would eliminate penalties for violations of emergency management plans.