City Council Accomplishments

2019

CITY OF FLAGSTAFF LEGISLATIVE ACTION
- Passed Resolution 2019-13 supporting Congressman Raul Grijalva’s proposed House Bill titled “Grand Canyon Centennial Protection Act” which will enact a permanent ban on uranium mining on more than one million acres of land around the Grand Canyon.
- Began implementation of the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.
- Passed Resolution 2019-10 opposing Competitive Predator Hunts in Flagstaff, Arizona and Coconino County.
- Passage of Propositions 419 and 420 to renew the Transportation Tax and construction of Lone Tree Overpass.

FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITY ADVOCACY
- Federal
  - Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Home groundbreaking (June 2019).
  - Approved necessary funding to continue work with the Army Corps of Engineers necessary to move the Rio de Flag Flood Control Project to complete 100% design. Completion of this design is necessary before any flood control measures can be initiated.
- State
  - Advocated for bill giving cities additional local powers when regulating short term rentals.
  - Advocated for the Wayfair decision which allows for consistency in revenue collection.

BUDGET PRIORITIES AND FUNDING
- Creation of Indigenous Coordinator position.
- Allocate over $800,000 to support implementation of the Climate Action and Adaptation Plan.
- Funded Dark Skies Lighting Specialist position jointly with Coconino County and Lowell Observatory.
- Appropriated $150,000 to address funding shortfall of local social service providers due to minimum wage impacts.
- Approved $70,000 in funding to enhance early-education opportunities throughout the community.
- Started helicopter and steep slope operations in Dry Lake Hills as part of the Flagstaff Watershed Protection Program (FWPP).
- Approved the addition of three Police Aides to supplement the work of Police Officers.

DEVELOPMENT
- Started construction on the new Municipal Courthouse Facility.
- Adoption of 2018 Building and Fire Codes.
- Secured second airline at Flagstaff Airport (United).
- In partnership with ADOT, started design of the new Fourth Street Bridge over I-40 for construction in summer of 2020.
- Continued support of the development and pursuit of funding for the Scattered Sites Affordable Housing project.

OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
- Held first joint City-County-NAU meeting.
- Held first joint City-Chamber of Commerce Meeting.
- Approved internship focused IGA between the City and NAU.
- Conducted a series of neighborhood-based community meetings.