adopting a list of legislative tracking issues for the 2014 state and federal legislative sessions; adopting infrastructure funding priorities and requesting state and federal assistance in support and funding of the legislative and infrastructure priorities.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate for the City Council to identify and express its views on proposed legislation and budget actions that have a potential impact upon the City; and

WHEREAS, these matters are routinely considered by the Congress of the United States, the Missouri General Assembly and other legislative, regulatory and policy-making bodies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed, in particular, the community's need for federal funds to supplement local and other resources dedicated to public infrastructure and facilities: and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia and the County of Boone are in agreement on the highest priority transportation improvements needed in the Columbia/Boone County area: and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to communicate its needs and priorities to members of the City's legislative delegations and appropriate state and federal funding agencies.

NOW. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri adopts the legislative tracking priorities set out in Appendix A.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri adopts the infrastructure funding priorities set out in Appendix B.

SECTION 3. The City Council requests the assistance of the state and federal government in support and funding of the legislative and infrastructure priorities for 2014 as identified in Appendix A and Appendix B. The City Manager is authorized and directed to communicate this request for assistance to members of the City's legislative delegations and appropriate state and federal funding agencies.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2014.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor

APPENDIX A Legislative Tracking Priorities - 2014

Strategic Priority: Customer Focused Government

Adopt innovative ways to engage all customers and improve services based on community values, priorities and expectations.

Community Vision Elements

- Support high-level, responsive community services and facilities
- Enhance government transparency and citizen engagement

Bill Subjects

- Effects on local government discretion
- Effects on local government revenues or funding options
- o Elections
- Reporting requirements for political subdivisions

Strategic Priority: Economic Development

Support and further stimulate our local economy.

Community Vision Elements

- Protect the community's historic and natural character with sustainable planning and design
- Keep downtown Columbia vibrant, diverse and inviting
- Enhance the presence of arts and cultural resources in the community
- Encourage economic growth, enhance regional economic partnerships and foster digital infrastructure

Bill Subjects

- Missouri Arts Council budget
- o Missouri Higher Education budget
- o Missouri Tourism Division budget
- Data center incentives
- Economic development tools
- Historic preservation incentives
- Local tourism tax authority and flexibility
- Redevelopment incentives
- Tax credits
- Tax incentives for sports events

Strategic Priority: Financial Health

Meet the critical financial needs of the City while maintaining a balanced budget through efficient use of resources, expenditure management and revenue growth.

Bill Subjects

o Effects on local government revenues or funding options

- o Health plans
- o LAGERS
- Prevailing wage
- o Public contracts
- o Public indebtedness
- o Public investment requirements, limits or opportunities
- o Reporting requirements for political subdivisions
- o Sales and use taxes
- o Tax exemptions
- o Unfunded mandates
- o Utility fees

Strategic Priority: Growth Management

Plan for growth to ensure there are resources to meet increased demands such as protection of natural spaces, sufficient and affordable housing, extension of core services, preservation of buildings and places of historical value and sufficient places to conduct business.

Community Vision Elements

- Protect the community's historic and natural character with sustainable planning and design
- Promote best environmental practices in resource conservation and energy efficiency

Bill Subjects

- o Missouri Natural Resources Department budget
- Building codes
- Eminent domain
- o Energy
- o Environment
- Historic preservation
- Housing
- o Outdoor advertising
- o Planning and zoning
- o Redevelopment
- o Solid waste
- o Sustainability
- Tax credits

Strategic Priority: Health, Safety and Well-Being

Create an inclusive, thriving, livable community that promotes health, safety, and well-being.

Community Vision Elements

- Enhance the presence of arts and cultural resources in the community
- Foster community pride and respectful human relations
- Support educational excellence at all levels
- Effectively address the community's needs for human services, health care and affordable housing
- Sustain the community's parks, trails and recreational amenities

Bill Subjects

- o Missouri Health and Senior Services budget
- Missouri Higher Education budget
- Missouri Mental Health budget
- Missouri Natural Resources budget
- Missouri Social Services budget
- Missouri Tourism Division budget
- Missouri capital improvements funding
- Missouri higher education programs
- Disability accommodations
- o Public safety
- o Traffic enforcement

Strategic Priority: Infrastructure

Ensure that there are plans and resources to meet existing and future infrastructure demands such as roads, water and electric systems, storm water, sanitary systems, water systems, public transit, airport, railroad and parks and trails.

Community Vision Elements

- Achieve the appropriate balance of community infrastructure and needed development
- Sustain the community's parks, trails and recreational amenities
- Improve citizens' ability to travel within or beyond the community on roads and through public transportation, commercial air service and non-motorized modes

Bill Subjects

- Missouri Natural Resources Department budget
- o Missouri Transportation budget
- o Disability accommodations
- o I-70 improvements
- o Redevelopment
- o Roads
- o Utilities

Strategic Priority: Workforce

Create an environment that supports engaged, high performing employees; enables the City to recruit, retain and compete for talent; and ensures retention of institutional knowledge.

Bill Subjects

- o Collective bargaining
- o Health plans
- o LAGERS
- o Prevailing wage
- o Unemployment
- o Unions
- o Workers compensation

APPENDIX B Infrastructure Funding Priorities - 2014

Columbia and Boone County Priorities

- Columbia Regional Airport, including runway and terminal improvements, to benefit the City, County and Mid-Missouri region
- East Columbia transportation extension to I-70, with associated improvements for Stadium Boulevard, Ballenger Road, Highway WW and other facilities to improve roadway access in this portion of Columbia and Boone County

Columbia Priorities

- Highway 63 and Route WW interchange, to improve the intersection, widen WW, expand a bridge and improve Keene Street and the nearby area to ease traffic congestion and improve the area's overall road network
- Highway 63 and Route AC interchange, to improve and reconfigure the current overpass with ramps and traffic signals
- Scott Boulevard and I-70 interchange, with a new interchange near Midway and associated improvements to enhance access and alleviate congestion in the surrounding area
- COLT Railroad rehabilitation, to upgrade track to modern standards and renew rail, ties, earthwork, roadbed, bridges and other infrastructure
- Columbia renewable energy biomass demonstration, innovation and production facility, to generate renewable power from agricultural biomass and non-agricultural waste products
- "Avenue of the Columns," including revitalization, paving, landscaping and more inviting design features for downtown Eighth Street
- Transit vehicles, to replace heavy-duty buses that have reached the end of their service lives
- Transit support equipment and passenger amenities, including technology and waiting area improvements



General Legislative Tracking Priorities and Infrastructure Funding Priorities - 2014 Re:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This list of priorities would supplement the City Council's policy on intergovernmental relations for 2014. The intent is to identify issues, bill subjects and infrastructure projects as early as possible and then, as the state and federal legislative sessions proceed, bring specific bills and opportunities to Council's attention for possible follow-up communication with legislators.

Agenda Item No:

DISCUSSION:

The proposed list of City issues is aligned with the City's seven strategic priorities and elements of the Community Vision, where possible. The City has adopted annual infrastructure priorities for several years. The ones proposed here are similar to those adopted in the past.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None at this time.

VISION IMPACT:

http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Council/Meetings/visionimpact.php

Columbia's governance is a model of transparency, efficiency and citizen participation that enjoys the strong confidence of its residents.

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTIONS:

Adopt the tracking and infrastructure funding priorities as proposed or as amended.

FISCAL and VISION NOTES:					
City Fiscal Impact Enter all that apply		Program Impact		Mandates	
City's current net FY cost	\$0.00	New Program/ Agency?	No	Federal or State mandated?	No
Amount of funds already appropriated	\$0.00	Duplicates/Expands an existing program?	No	Vision Implementation impact	
Amount of budget amendment needed	\$0.00	Fiscal Impact on any local political subdivision?	No	Enter all that apply: Refer to Web site	
Estimated 2 year net costs:		Resources Required		Vision Impact?	Yes
One Time	\$0.00	Requires add'l FTE Personnel?	No	Primary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	10.1
Operating/ Ongoing	\$0.00	Requires add'l facilities?	No	Secondary Vision, Strategy and/or Goal Item #	10.1.9
	-	Requires add'l capital equipment?	No	Fiscal year implementation Task #	