

The City of Lee's Summit

Action Letter - Draft

Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

Thursday, November 20, 2025 11:30 AM

Via Video Conference

Notice is hereby given that the Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee of the City of Lee's Summit will meet on Monday, November 17, 2025 at 11:30 am via video conference as provided by Section 2-50 of the City of Lee's Summit Code of Ordinances, adopted by the City Council on June 15, 2021, Ordinance No. 9172. Persons wishing to comment on any item of business on the agenda may do so by sending a request prior to 5:00 p.m. on Friday, November 14, 2025, to the City Clerk at clerk@cityofls.net to attend the meeting on the video conferencing platform. The City Clerk will provide instructions regarding how to attend by this method. The meeting can be viewed on the City's YouTube Channel (YouTube.com/@cityofLS), the City's website (WatchLS.net) and on various cable providers (Spectrum Channel 2 & Comcast Channel 7).

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Carlyle called the November 20, 2025, Legislative Intergovernmental Relations Committee Meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Staff in attendance: Brian Head Christal Weber Jina Bellamy

Present: 4 - Chairperson Trish Carlyle

Vice Chair Donnie Funk Councilmember Hillary Shields

Mayor Bill Baird

3. Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Shields made a motion to approve the November 20, 2025, Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Funk. Motion passed 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson Carlyle

Vice Chair Funk Councilmember Shields Mayor Baird

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. Business

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A. 2025-7212 Approval of the September 15, 2025 Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Action Letter.

Councilmember Shields made a motion to approve the Sept 15, 2025, Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee Action Letter. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Funk. Motion passed 4-0.

Aye: 4 - Chairperson Carlyle
Vice Chair Funk
Councilmember Shields
Mayor Baird

B. 2025-7093 Continued Discussion: 2026 Legislative Priorities

Brian Head went over the suggested updates to the 2026 Legislative priorities that were discussed at the last Committee meeting.

After brief discussion, comments focused on consistency with font, grammar and spacing throughout the document.

Consensus of the Committee was to forward this item to the Council once the suggested changes were made by Staff.

C. 2025-6941 Continued Discussion: Potential of Federal Lobbyist

Brian Head updated the Committee on his continued conversations with Versa (our current Lobbyists) regarding hiring a Federal Lobbyist.

Versa is considering joining Axiom. Axiom is a Republican political consulting firm that has Federal Lobbyist services.

After general conversation regarding the following:

- The timing of hiring a Federal Lobbyist
- Considering a bipartisan group long-term
- Creating a Coalition with regional partners who prioritize transportation issues specifically regarding the impact of changes to the I-470 interchange and can share the costs

The Committee asked staff for an updated comprehensive list of area Cities and community partners that have Federal Lobbyists showing who they use and the costs.

The Committee asked staff to inquire with Versa regarding the cost of hiring a general lobbyist and also the cost if we later want to add one specific project (1470).

6. Roundtable

Brian Head mentioned that pre-filing starts December 1. He is going to invite

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Versa to the next meeting on December 15. 2025 for an update.

7. Adjournment

Chairperson Carlyle adjourned the November 20, 2025, Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting at 12:03 p.m.

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