

RESOLUTION 02-2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA, URGING MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT THE 2025 FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES' LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM.

WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature will convene the 2025 Legislative Session on March 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the Florida League of Cities (FLC) adopted its 2025 Legislative Platform during the FLC Legislative Conference on December 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seminole supports the 2025 FLC Legislative Platform, which includes:

- Supporting legislation that allows for a collaborative approach that balances the pressing needs for affordable and workforce housing while respecting the ability of local governments to effectively manage growth to ensure developments align with the character, capabilities and resources of each community.
- Supporting legislation that ensures all vehicles, regardless of fuel type, contribute fairly to the funding of Florida's transportation infrastructure, which will allow cities to maintain safe and reliable roads for all residents.
- Supporting the preservation of municipal authority over utility revenues and the ability to realize a reasonable rate of return on utility assets. Legislation should honor current practices, existing contracts, utility operation and maintenance costs, service territory obligations and revenues obligated for debt service and planned projects.
- Supporting the levy of property taxes by municipalities to provide critical services such as infrastructure, police, fire and emergency services. Further changes or exemptions to the property tax system and tangible personal property taxes would create inequities and unfairly shift the tax burden onto families, homeowners, renters, businesses and our most vulnerable population.
- Supporting the preservation of reasonable sovereign immunity liability caps for municipal governments to protect taxpayer funds and ensure the delivery of public services.

WHEREAS, the City of Seminole also supports the FLC policy positions relating to:


- Annexation
- Impact Fees
- Local Business Taxes
- One Water
- Public Safety Recruitment and Retention

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA:

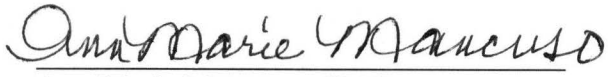
SECTION 1. The City of Seminole will work with our local legislative delegation in support of these and other issues affecting Florida's cities, towns and villages during the upcoming 2025 Legislative Session.

SECTION 2. A copy of this resolution shall be provided to the members of our local legislative delegation and the Florida League of Cities, Inc.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEMINOLE, FLORIDA, THIS 14th DAY OF January, 2025.


Leslie Waters, Mayor

ATTEST:


Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC
City Clerk

