



REPORT TO MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL

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SUBJECT: 2016 – 2017 City Council Priorities

Recommendation

Review and adopt the City Council Priorities as developed by Mayor Bouley and the members of the City Council at their January 25, 2016 City Council Priority Setting Session.

Background

Members of the City Council met on January 25, 2016 to discuss and set priorities for 2016 – 2017. The following items are the top priorities the City Council chose for 2016 – 2017. Note the information below is in a non-prioritized order.

Calendar Year 2016 – 2017 Priorities

Responsible fiscal management is the guiding principal pertaining to all priorities listed below:

1. Balanced Budget Issues: Fiscal Year 2017 & 2018 (Collective Bargaining/Contract Negotiations, & Health Insurance Costs)
2. Community Wide Economic Development Initiatives to Expand Tax Base
3. Public Information, Marketing & Communications
4. Public Safety Work & Continued Support of Social Safety Network
5. Parking Master Plan/Implementation Measures
6. Foster/Enhance dialogue with Legislative Delegation
7. Enhanced Community Event Opportunities

Projects:

1. Main Street Complete Streets Project
2. City-Wide Multi-Generational Community Center
3. Sustainability: Municipal Facilities & Recreational Assets & Northern Pass

4. Opportunity Corridor Economic Development Initiatives – South Main Street, Penacook Village, Downtown 2nd & 3rd Floor Redevelopment, North Central Corridor/Storrs Street Connection & South End Rail Yard

On-Going Initiatives:

1. Sewalls Falls Bridge
2. Major Transportation Corridor Improvements – Loudon Road
3. Create and Expand Partnerships (Particularly In Regards to Recreation and Economic Development Opportunities)
4. Creative Economy Work
5. Continue Expanded Neighborhood Street Improvement Program