

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2019

1. MARINA

Re-authorization of \$2 million in funds authorized by the Legislature in 2018 for the North Bulkhead replacement. The authorization was delayed due to the State's capital budget process. The City is requesting re-authorization of these resources as the funds have not been expended. The North Bulkhead Project is currently at about 60% design, and working through complex permitting process with multiple agencies.

2. SCORE (South Correctional Entity Regional Jail)

Under existing state law, the state has capped what the Department of Corrections (DOC) can pay for the cost of incarceration to \$85 per day per offender. DOC currently contracts with SCORE to house inmates who are serving short term incarcerations due to an administrative violation of a previous sentence. The amount that DOC pays SCORE for these inmates is well below the market rate and results in a member/host City subsidy of DOC. Options that could address this issue are:

- A. Due to the different economic conditions between the west side of the state and eastside, one option is to lobby the Legislature to create two different maximum rates to account for the difference in costs. DOC from an operational and logistics perspective would not be able to work with only an eastside jail.
- B. Cafeteria Style Model – Legislative fix to increase fees based on programing. i.e. Medically Assisted Treatment (Methadone), medical services, etc.

3. SITING A SECOND REGIONAL AIRPORT IN WASHINGTON

Des Moines and City's surrounding Sea-Tac International Airport receive disproportionate impacts of aircraft operations as a result of their proximity to the airport. As Sea-Tac prepares for significant growth in the future and after experiencing significant growth in the past 6 years, it is imperative that a balance be struck between regional economic benefit and the direct impacts felt by Des Moines and our neighboring cities.

We believe that a critical aspect of providing relief for these impacts and also of enhancing regional economic benefit is an active commitment to site a second regional airport. The City also continues to support legislation that addresses airport impacts identified in 2018's Legislative Priorities.