



2027 Legislative Agenda

September 24, 2026



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State Legislative Agenda Workshop

- 1) Recap 2026 legislative session
- 2) Review the scope of the agenda and preview this year
- 3) Refresh process for Council engagement



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Important Legislative Outcomes

- Continued Home Rule Protection
- Hotel/Motel Tax
- Short-Term Vacation Rentals
- \$500m for water infrastructure
- Permitting Restrictions & Design Standards
- Small Cells in the Historic District
- City Council Term Limits
- Public Private Lease Agreement Extension
- Historic Tax Credits
- Community Improvement District



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Annual State Legislative Cycle

January – March	Georgia State Legislative Session
April – June	Session Analysis, Bill Review, Governor Adoption/Vetoes
July – October	Study Committee Meetings
September – November	City Legislative Agenda Development
December	Legislative Agenda Adoption & Local Delegation Engagement



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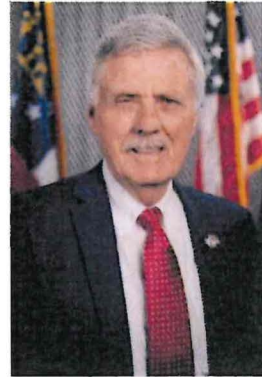
Local Delegation – State Senators



District 1: Ben Watson (R)



District 2: Derek Mallow (D)



District 4: Billy Hickman (R)



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Local Delegation – State House Representatives



161 Bill Hitchens (R)



162 Orlando Scott (D)
(Carl Gilliard)



163 Anne Allen
Westbrook (D)



164 Ron Stephens (R)



165 MiQuan Green (D)
(Edna Jackson)



Jesse Petrea (R)



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Legislative Climate

GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION

- Outcome will influence themes of the state session

ANTICIPATED THEMES

- Automated License Plate Reader Technology (ALPRs – Flock)
- Data Centers
- Continued property tax elimination



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Policy Positions

AGENDA SCOPE

- Within the City's direct influence/control
- Broad enough to encapsulate specific bill language

NORTH STAR AGENDA

- Support Georgia as a Home Rule State to allow local governments to determine which solutions work best for our community
- Support public infrastructure, affordable housing, public safety, community development that improves the equitable growth and resiliency of our region



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Legislative Agenda Development



Questions & Discussion

