



**City of Yakima
2022
State Legislative Priorities**

Actively Pursue

- 1. Regulatory and legislative advocacy to preserve community access to health care services, including additional funding for mental health response assistance to local governments (i.e. Trueblood grants)**
- 2. Legislation and state funding designed to address the high rate of domestic violence present in Washington State**
- 3. Funding for future construction of an outdoor pool at MLK, Jr. Park**
- 4. Increased state funding in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, funds for affordable housing, and funds to reduce homelessness**
- 5. Legalization of automated monitoring and citation for speeding on city streets by cameras that capture speed and license plate numbers**

Support

1. Efforts to clarify and/or modify police reform legislation adopted during the 2021 state legislative session
2. Development of a comprehensive transportation funding package that includes additional resources for cities
3. Efforts by Orthopedics Northwest PLLC to secure a "Certificate of Need" from the Washington State Department of Health to allow for surgical procedures to be performed at the former Astria Regional Medical Center facility
4. Replacing the one percent property tax revenue increase limit with a limit tied to cost drivers

Monitor

- Amendments to the WSDOT budget in order to ensure completion of committed projects in the Connecting Washington transportation package
- Legislation providing greater flexibility in the use of public funds for economic development purposes
- Cuts to intergovernmental shared revenue
- Enhancing distribution of marijuana excise tax revenue to local governments (moved from Support)
- Modification of authorized outlets for publishing office local government notices (moved from Support)