



- 28 the downtown area.
- 29 • Enhance/preserve the state's program of economic development tools.
- 30 • Oppose any State imposed local tax/spending lids.
- 31 • Support efforts to achieve a fully funded public employee retirement system
- 32 within a reasonable period of time and monitor legislation related to KPERS that
- 33 might impact cities.
- 34 • To the extent consistent with the goals of the City of Topeka, support the 2008
- 35 Legislative Priorities of the League of Kansas Municipalities.
- 36 • Institution of statewide building codes to provide for uniformity across
- 37 jurisdictions.
- 38 • Institution of statewide licensing for building trades (one license allows
- 39 tradesmen to work anywhere in the state).
- 40 • Support legislation that amends suspended driver's license statutes to allow for
- 41 more cost effective and reasonable enforcement of and penalties for violations.
- 42 • Support legislation providing first class cities the opportunity of levying a
- 43 earnings tax to have commuters help pay for local city/county services thus
- 44 reducing local property tax burden for cities/counties.
- 45 • Continued support of Star Bond programs. Cities should have the ability to
- 46 utilize STAR bonds in order to promote economic development in their
- 47 communities.
- 48 • Support the Streamlined Sales Tax Project including a local compensating use
- 49 component. Cities should be able to determine local sales and use tax rates.
- 50 • Support increased funding for the Juvenile Justice Authority (JJA).

51 ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council February 26, 2008.

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