



# CITY OF BLAINE

## PREPARING FOR THE 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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# DISCUSSION GOAL: PREPARE FOR THE 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- Outcomes of the 2021 Legislative Session
- Overview of the 2022 Legislative Session
- Review Draft Legislative Agenda & Get Feedback
- Next Steps

# OUTCOMES OF THE 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- In 2021, we made substantial progress in advancing the City's legislative priorities:
  - \$2.75 million towards the Bell Road Intersection project
  - \$500,000 for the Downtown Blaine Restoration project
  - Introduced legislation and made progress on proposal to authorize border communities to impose a second cent fuel tax with voter approval – House Bill 1284

# 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- Short, 60-day session
- Second year of the two-year biennium
- Focus on supplemental budgets
  - Operating, Capital, and Transportation
- Policy Bills
  - Legislation that did not pass in 2021 carries over 2022
  - New policy bills can be introduced
- Format?
  - Virtual? Hybrid? Unknown.

# OVERVIEW OF THE 2022 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- Democrats hold the majority in both chambers
- Committee assignments generally remain the same
- Legislative positions on the ballot in November 2022
  - Redistricting Commission is required to complete new boundaries by November 2021
  - Legislators seeking re-election will have new district boundaries
- Addressing hot topics

# REVIEW DRAFT LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

- Continue work from previous years...
  - Local transportation revenue options (i.e., border fuel tax, local transportation revenue flexibility through a transportation revenue package)
  - Marine Drive Reconstruction Project – Transportation Revenue Package Request
  - Sales Tax Transportation Benefit District Proposal
- New priorities...
  - North Harvey Road Booster Pump Facility – Capital Budget Request

# QUESTIONS?

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