

City of Normandy Park Legislative Agenda 2026

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STRENGTHEN PUBLIC SAFETY

Provide cities with additional resources and tools to address public safety and criminal justice challenges. Normandy Park encourages our representatives to:

- Increase state support and funding for indigent defense and prosecution. Enhance state support for increasing the indigent defense and prosecution workforce.
- Revise HB 2015 to allow straightforward access to public safety funds. Ensure cities of all sizes, and with all compositions of law enforcement agency, can access funds which align with the city's public safety challenges and priorities.
- Enact legislation that ensures local governments may continue to use automated license plate readers and other public safety camera systems, with statutory safeguards that protect privacy and limit the collection, retention, and sharing of data.

SUPPORT LEGISLATION WHICH PREVENTS AND REVERSES HOMELESSNESS

The well-being of vulnerable people throughout Washington is at risk due to complex root causes, including deprivation, behavioral health disorders, substance abuse disorders, and life shocks. Washington's focus on housing affordability does not sufficiently address these root causes. Normandy Park wants to see effective homelessness crisis response strategies developed by the State.

STRENGTHEN LOCAL ROAD SAFETY

As the SR 509 Completion Project moves forward, the City of Normandy Park requests state support to address critical safety and mobility needs along SR 509 (1st Avenue). The City has completed a Local Road Safety Plan that identifies priority improvements. Improvements to pedestrian crossings, lighting, and sidewalks are urgently needed along this corridor. Washington State should take the lead in advancing and funding these improvements. Timely action is essential to improve safety, enhance mobility, and protect residents.

ENHANCE WASHINGTON'S ENVIRONMENT

Support state salmon recovery investments that help cities protect and restore local habitat. Ensure Capital Budget funding addresses not only fish-blocking culverts, but also water quality monitoring, protecting the tree canopy, and other critical measures that contribute to long-term salmon recovery. Assist cities in defining a comprehensive recovery approach and provide the funding necessary to carry it out successfully.

SUPPORT LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE

Revise the 1% property tax cap, which limits the ability for cities, particularly small municipalities, to sustainably support core services. Adopt a new cap tied to inflation and population growth, with a limit not to exceed 3%. This will allow local elected officials the option to adjust local property tax rates to the degree necessary to fully fund essential services, but will prevent the kind of uncapped tax inflation Washington voters consistently oppose.