

CITY OF CHINO – MAJOR LEGISLATIVE ITEMS REPORT (Attachment 1)

As of January 21, 2025

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Federal Update

Federal Budget - On December 20, 2024, the House and Senate passed a Continuing Resolution (CR) to extend government funding and avoid a government shutdown. The bill continues funding at FY 2024 levels through March 14, 2025. A large priority for the incoming Congress will be to pass the various appropriations bills for FY 2025 before this CR expires in March.

119th Session of Congress - On January 3, 2025, the 119th Congress officially commenced with the swearing in of all the members of the House of Representatives and the newly elected Senators. In the House, the first order of business was to elect new leadership for the chamber. After a roll call vote, Rep. Mike Johnson (R-LA) was re-elected to serve as the Speaker of the House. Additionally, Rep. Hakeem Jefferies (D-NY) was re-elected to serve as the House Minority Leader.

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Reauthorization (IIJA) - The most recent surface transportation reauthorization act, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58, also known as the “Bipartisan Infrastructure Law”), authorizes spending on federal highway and public transportation programs through September 30, 2026. IIJA currently provides \$550 billion over fiscal years 2022 through 2026 in federal funding for infrastructure, including roads, bridges, and mass transit, water infrastructure, resilience, and broadband. On Wednesday, January 15, the House Transportation Committee held its first hearing to reauthorize the IIJA. The Mayor Pro Tem of Austin, Texas testified on behalf of the National League of Cities urging the need to protect funding for local programs through the reauthorization process.

Inauguration of President-Elect Trump – On January 20th, President-Elect Trump will be sworn into office as the 47th President. Senate confirmation hearings are underway on his cabinet nominees. Significant changes in federal government operations and regulations are anticipated based on his campaign promises.

State Update

Governor’s Budget - On January 10, Governor Newsom released the proposed state budget, which provides a \$322.3 Billion FY 2025-26 budget (based on a two-year budget cycle) that relies on higher anticipated revenues and proposed cuts. It also calls for an increase in the cap on revenues into the State’s “rainy-day fund” and for all deposits into the fund to be excluded from the Appropriations Limit, which would facilitate additional savings when there are surpluses.

As reported by Gonsalves & Son, the City’s contractor providing legislative advocacy services, “The Governor’s January Budget proposal is the kickoff to the budget negotiations between the Legislature and Administration. Over the next few months, the Legislature will review the Governor’s proposal through budget hearings and propose changes that reflect the priorities of the Legislature. In May, the Governor will propose his revised budget plan that will take into consideration the proposed changes the legislature presented, with a final budget being due on June 15th.”

2025-26 Legislative Session - The new legislative session began with the swearing in of new members in December, with organizational activities underway to establish rules and make committee appointments, and members submitting bill language requests to Legislative Counsel. While a few bills have already

been introduced, it is expected that the majority will be available for City review after the February 21 bill introduction deadline.

Regulatory Items

South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) - The City learned of Proposed Rules 1111 and 1121 by SCAQMD, which would establish zero-Nox emissions limits for residential and commercial space heating and residential water heating. These rules would phase out existing natural gas furnaces and water heaters in existing single-family homes, multi-family housing, and businesses in 2027. The City submitted a letter opposing these proposed rules (See Attachment 2).

TRACKED STATE LEGISLATION REPORT (Attachment 2). Attachment 2 generally contains a list of City-tracked state bills. However, as the 2025-26 session just began, the report will be provided after the February 21 bill introduction deadline.

POSITION LETTERS (Attachment 3). Three letters regarding the City's positions on legislation or regulations were submitted during this reporting period.

State Legislative Calendar

- Jan. 6 – Legislature reconvenes
- Jan. 10 – Budget bill must be submitted by Governor
- Jan. 24 – Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel
- Feb. 21 – Last day for bills to be introduced
- Apr. 10 – Spring Recess begins upon adjournment
- Apr. 21 – Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess