



# Intergovernmental Committee Strategic Priorities

# Priority 1: Relationship Building & Legislative Priorities

## Chair:

- Strengthen collaboration with the City's lobbyist and coordinate communication between Council and state partners.
- Reengage and explore partnerships through the Sister Cities program and other intergovernmental relationships.
- Develop a formal City Council/ state legislative agenda to guide advocacy priorities with the General Assembly.
- Review all revisions to the City Charter

## Committee Members:

- Stakeholder Coordination
  - Improve coordination amongst Council, state deligation, and lobbyists.
  - Engage state legislators before introducing or passing legislation.
  - Establish recurring meetings with General Assembly leadership.
  - Improve transparency around legislation or charter changes impacting City operations.
  - Leverage the Intergovernmental Committee as a tool to help advance the goals of other committees.
- Shared Legislative Priorities
  - Develop a more unified Council voice when advancing legislation to Dover.
  - Focus on shared, high-priority resolutions over disconnected ones.

## Priority 2: Public Policy & Transparency

### Chair:

- Invite representatives from various levels of government—including school board, county, state, and federal officials to present updates and policy discussions during committee meetings.

### Committee Members:

- Intentional communication, especially in public messaging and press releases, to ensure alignment with the Council's legislative agenda.
- Correct property tax reassessment errors.

## Priority 3: Grant Funding & Resource Development

### Chair:

- Track and regularly discuss state, county, and federal grant opportunities that may benefit Wilmington.

### Committee Members:

- Use intergovernmental coordination to secure outside funding from the state and external partners for City priorities including homelessness, housing, and neighborhood needs.