City of Hampton 2022 General Assembly Prep Presented by: Ed Reed Two Capitols Consulting

Special Session II Overview

- Budget highlights
 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) distributions
 - \$800,000 to the Department of Criminal Justice Services via a one-time grant to the City of Hampton
 - Amendment to the Virginia Overtime Wage Act
 - Additional funding for the Fort Monroe Authority

Other 2021 Legislative Successes

- Passage of legislation to regulate clutter by ordinance
- Hampton representation on the mandatory property tax exemption workgroup convened by the Commission on Local Government
- Inclusion of the Serious or Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program (SHOCAP) in a current Department of Juvenile Justice JLARC study

2022 Legislative Agenda Planning

The Two Capitols team has begun engaging the City Council, City Manager, City Attorney, department and agency heads, as well as various coalition groups and stakeholders to build a comprehensive legislative package over the summer and fall.

Areas for Continued Work in 2022

- Create an annual fund to address needs of Virginia's Military and Federal Facilities
- Changes to vacant building registration to address criminal blight
- Allow localities to increase and protect tree canopy; expand 2021 legislation
- Support and Increase staffing for the Hampton Roads Regional Jail

- Support and fund education initiatives
- Continue to fund resiliency efforts
- Modernize the communications sales and use tax
- Oppose unfunded mandates
- State Assistance to Local Police Departments (HB 599)
- Support the Virginia Air & Space Science Center – Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) Programs

Legislative Requests

- Charter amendment to address changes in

 municipal elections
- Assessing state fund for African American cemeteries
- Creating broader authority to use photo monitoring systems to enforce traffic light signals
- Advocate for the preservation of Fort Wool

Funding for the Delinquency Prevention &
 Youth Development Act

Other Priority Positions

- Increased Tipping Fee on Solid Waste (recommend opposing)
- Establishment of a workgroup to address building safety across the Commonwealth (recommend supporting)

Partner Priorities

- Hampton Roads Planning District Commission
- Hampton Roads Transportation Planning
 Organization
- Hampton Roads Transportation District
 Commission
- Hampton Roads Transportation Accountability
 Commission
- Hampton Roads Military and Federal Facilities
 Alliance

- Virginia Municipal League
- Virginia First Cities
- Hampton University
- Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board
- Hampton Roads Regional Jail
- Fort Monroe Authority
- Chesapeake Bay Foundation
- Virginia Seafood Agriculture Research and Extension Center

2022 Legislative Agenda Timeline

Mid-October

Finalize legislative agenda with coordination from City Council and City Manager

Mid-November/End of November

Finalize legislation for General Assembly members and have bills pre-filed (deadline for pre-filed drafting is **November 29, 2021**)

Beginning of October

Gather ideas for the legislative package to present to City Council for discussion

Early November/Mid-November

Finalize legislative agenda and present for approval by City Council

Start sharing legislative package with members of the General Assembly

December

Finalize any budget amendments

Collect legislative priorities from Hampton delegation to present to Council/staff

Session starts January 12, 2022 at 12 noon

Questions/Comments?