**2015 City of Bonita Springs Legislative Priorities**

1. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports state sustainability initiatives, especially those which would prevent discharges from Lake Okeechobee and which promote clean fresh and salt water bodies. The City also opposes any water quality proposals which would negatively impact our city.***
2. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports the amendment of the 2014 Village of Estero incorporation legislation to correct the proposed village boundaries to reflect the 2014 residential and commercial voluntary annexations into the City of Bonita Springs.***
3. ***The City of Bonita Springs believes in affordable insurance rates for our citizens. Towards that end, the City opposes any action or legislation, at any level, that will have the effect of significantly increasing flood insurance rates.***

1. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports legislation that would allow pari-mutuel facilities within counties that have passed referendums to provide slot gaming.  The City also supports a decoupling of dog racing requirements for pari-mutuel facilities that provide additional gaming.***

1. ***The City of Bonita Springs opposes any legislation that would require State mandated fertilizer standards that preempt adopted municipal standards.***
2. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports efforts to provide additional health care facilities in South Lee County.***

***More GENERALLY, the City of Bonita Springs supports increased state funding for education (private, public and charter schools), supports state funding of Regional Planning Councils, supports state sustainability initiatives including possible alternative sources of power, and opposes any legislation that would pre-empt Home Rule protection.***