**2016 City of Bonita Springs Legislative Priorities**

1. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports state and local sustainability initiatives 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 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 supports state funding of a new visitors center/museum at one of Florida’s most visited State Parks – Lovers Key.***
2. ***The City of Bonita Springs opposes any legislation that would require State mandated fertilizer standards that preempt adopted municipal standards.***
3. ***The City of Bonita Springs supports efforts to provide additional health care facilities in South Lee County.***
4. ***The City of Bonita Springs opposes legislation that would shift the burden to pay for the relocation of utilities for municipal projects from the utility companies to the municipalities.***

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