

Issue #:	Issue Title:	Description:	Category:	Proposed By:	Table:	Status Notes	Status:
L1	Clothing tax exemption	Exempt clothing from taxation in Douglas County, or border counties of MN, or X-miles of MN border.	Taxes	Jim Paine		May may pull, depending on # of final issues.	Consider for final
L2	Mandatory state wide paid sick and safe time.		Workforce	Jenny VanSickle		Lacks consensus or not local 8 enough	Closed
L3	Overturn voter ID, and create online voting database.		Citizen Engagement	Jenny VanSickle		Lacks consensus or not local 8 enough	Closed
L4	Push for fiber/broadband in Northwen Wisconsin.	To better allow businesses the ability to have access to high level Internet. This can help bring new businesses to the area. This also affects tge growing population of distance learning students and their access to high quality internet for school.	Economic Development	Taylor Elm & Ben Damberg		All L4's merged. Travus and Tylor working on 6 proposed issue.	Consider for final
L4	Include fiber optics during road reconstruction for lease to providers.	(1) Fiber cable needs to be included in streert upgrades, (2) Internet - landlines need to be upgraded to fiber for higher speeds, (3) Coonecting hubs to other areas for revenue generation, and (4) lack of access limits what businesses can do... streamline process so companies can contact just a few to get answers.	Economic Development	Travus Elm		6	Consider for final
L4	Increase funding for broadband access	Attract more professionals and businesses to NW Wisconsin by increasing broadband funding (and availability)	Economic Development	Mark Liebaert		6	Consider for final
L5	Distillery and brewery deregulation	Either decrease regulations or increase incentives to further creation of distilleries and breweries in Wisconsin.	Economic Development	Taylor Pederson		Lacks consensus or not local 6 enough	Closed

L6	Incentives for value added forest products.	Create incentives for forestry businesses in NW Wisconsin for value added.	Economic Development	Mark Abeles-Allison	Needs further clarification.	6	Hold
L7	Guarantee PILT payments to counties into the future. Seek an increase in PILT payments.		Revenue	Keith Allen		8	Included in 2017 for final Consider
L7	Increase PILT for county forests		Revenue	Tim Kane		7	Included in 2017 for final Consider
L7	County forest PILT	Increase payments PILT payments to \$1.	Revenue	Mark Abeles-Allison		6	Included in 2017 for final Consider
L8	TIF Expansion in Cable, WI	Expanding the current TIF system to use in rural areas like Cable for proposed Telmark Lodge Re-Opening.	Revenue	Mark Abeles-Allison	May ask for support closer to SD's if needed.	6	Hold
L8	Town of Cable TIF district		Revenue	Fred Strand	May ask for support closer to SD's if needed.	8	Hold
L21	TIF reform to allow for housing		Revenue and Housing	Jim Paine	Mayor pulled, no pending legislation.	1	Closed
L9	Economic development reforms	Multi-sources funding (grants and incentives) to: attract new (small and large) businesses, promote workforce development, improve community curb appeal through refurbishment plans, promote tourism and develop trail systems to promote local interest and investment.	Economic Development	Tracey Carey	Sponsor pulled, indicated that intent is included in other issues.	7	Closed
L10	1/2% sales tax for economic development.	WCA passed resolution at last convention to lobby for a 1/2% sales tax to be used by the counties for economic development.	Economic Development	Mark Liebaert	Tabled, may not be local enough.	1	Closed
L10	Stop brain drain of young people leaving area, entertainment district - Better City Superior	Encourage youth to stay in Superior and NW WI communities. Support Better City Superior project, trails, and other amenities that would retain youth and young professionals.	Economic Development	Nadia Henegar	BCS, if GOP sponsored bill is introduced.	3	Consider for final

L10	Better City Superior	Can we bring this back>	Economic Development	Jim Caesar	BCS, if GOP sponsored bill is 5 introduced.	Consider for final
L10	Better City Superior	Revisit BCS.	Economic Development	Taylor Pederson	BCS, if GOP sponsored bill is 6 introduced.	Consider for final
L11	Sales tax / tax credit for local roads	Create tax credit for local road construction, or ceate a local sales tax to fund local road construction and maintenance.	Roads	Taylor Pederson	Discuss with WisDOT as 6 agency issue	Moved to agency
L12	Trail development	Support development of North Country Trail and a better effort to allow us increased ability to planning our trails and access for more cross country, hiking, ATV, biking, and snowmobile trails.	Tourism	Mark Abeles-Allison	Needs draft 6 legislation.	Consider for final
L13	Funding for employers and students to engage in co-ops and internships.	Goal: paid internships and support for employers to arrange, retaining young professionals. Strategy: funding package to pilot intentional workforce pathways with internships.	Workforce Development	Jenice Meyer	Jenice to draft proposal, and seek legislative 5 support.	Consider for final
L14	Shoreland zoning	Reinstate counties shoreland zoning authority, which was removed by the legislature a couple years ago.	Environment	Fred Strand & Jeff Silbert	8 Included in 2017	Consider for final
L15	Protect our economy	Mining companies need to undergo stricter regulatory processes. Our economy relies on clean water and protected lands.	Environment	Jenny VanSickle	Lacks consensus or not local 8 enough	Closed
L16	Improve the standard of housing in the City of Superior	Increase quality of housing units for rent, and create minimum occupancy standards.	Housing	Marinel W	Lacks consensus or not local 7 enough	Closed
L17	Housing - Market Rate	Goal: increase the number of market rate housing units in Superior and other NW WI counties. Strategy: funding support for small construction businesses to build more market rate houses.	Housing	Jim Caesar	May discuss specific projects 5 with WHEDA	Closed

L18	Tax deductions (or credits) for recent grads to stay or return.	Goal: retain high school and college students within our region and attract grads back to the region. Strategy: provide \$2-4,000 incentives to pay off students loans or tuition for WI high school grads who stay or return to our region to live and work.	Economic Development	Corrected: Jenice Meyer	Needs proposed legislation and 5 support.	Consider for final
L19	Provide counties with increased regulatory authority to safeguard water resources.	Issue write up available from SD 2017.	Environment	Bayfield County	Included in 2017	Consider for final
L20	Reimbursement rate from Medicaid for non-profit nursing homes.	Increase reimbursement rate for providers, both private and non-profit facilities for vulnerable residents that rely on Medicaid for insurance.	Healthcare	Fred Strand & Jeff Silbert	Needs legislation. Mark-AA to provide more information. 8	Consider for final