



2023 State Legislative Priorities

North Port Facts

- Largest city in population and landmass in Sarasota County.
- North Port-Bradenton-Sarasota Metropolitan Statistical Area.
- 104.1 square miles with a portion of U.S. 41 and Interstate 75.
- More than 81,800 residents.
- More than 80 miles of freshwater canals, from which it draws its drinking water during certain parts of the year.
- Home to the Myakka State Forest; North Port is the only city in the state with an entire state forest within its boundaries.
- More than 800 miles of local roads.
- Two high schools, three middle schools, six elementary schools.

North Port City Commission

- Mayor Pete Emrich**
- Vice Mayor Barbara Langdon**
- Commissioner Jill Luke**
- Commissioner Debbie McDowell**
- Commissioner Alice White**

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Home Rule

The City of North Port OPPOSES cost shifts, unfunded mandates, or preemptions of North Port City Charter authority.

Infrastructure

The City of North Port SUPPORTS funding resources for infrastructure including:

- Widening of local roads leading to evacuation routes.
- Construction of new I-75 interchanges in North Port.
- Water quality improvements, storm water management, providing of septic to sewer conversion incentives, testing and resiliency.
- Broadband internet access for all.

Warm Mineral Springs & Little Salt Spring

The City of North Port SUPPORTS legislation defining Warm Mineral Springs and Little Salt Spring each as an "Outstanding Florida Spring" and providing related funding.

Mental Health

The City of North Port SUPPORTS legislation that will provide funding for early intervention and treatment of mental health issues for all ages.

Affordable Housing

The City of North Port SUPPORTS legislation, all initiatives and incentives to support affordable housing projects, including use of the Sadowski Fund for local housing assistance as intended and approved by statewide voters.

Emergency Medical Transportation

The City of North Port SUPPORTS increased Medicaid reimbursement funding for Public Emergency Medical Transportation.

The City of North Port OPPOSES legislation that would mandate counties to include recommendations of specified districts when developing standards for certificates of public convenience and necessity (COPCN) for life support or air ambulance services.

Suncoast Technical College

The City of North Port SUPPORTS fully funding to ensure all facility and growing student population needs are met.

Property Insurance

The City of North Port SUPPORTS state efforts to reform the property insurance industry.