2008 League Strategic Goals

Protect Funding for Vital Community Services. Vigorously oppose efforts to erode funding for vital community services that:

- Keep California families safe from crime;
- Support transportation mobility and economic growth;
- Provide housing and important after-school recreation opportunities;
- Ensure orderly development; and
- Protect the environment.

Funding for local community-based services and programs should not be sacrificed again to meet state revenue needs.

Green and Sustainable Cities. Lead in the development of state and local policies, strategies and programs to protect the environment and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through:

- More efficient and sustainable land use and building practices;
- Increased energy efficiency and use of alternative/renewable energy sources;
- Improved water supply and wastewater treatment system efficiencies;
- Expanded public transit opportunities; and
- Innovations in other city operations.

Expand Infrastructure Investment. Support continued implementation of the 2006 infrastructure bond program and the development of new funding sources and programs to meet the infrastructure needs of our rapidly growing communities in a sustainable way for:

- Water supply;
- Wastewater treatment;
- Public transit;
- Streets and roads;
- Stormwater management; and
- Other critical infrastructure.

Enact Honest and Responsible Eminent Domain Reform. Support enactment of eminent domain reforms that protect homeowners, such as the Homeowners Protection Act, and oppose proposals that would cripple the ability of state and local agencies to:

- Manage development;
- Develop new water supplies;
- Protect the environment; and
- Develop affordable housing.