

## THE NEW VOCABULARY

Instead of: Unfunded Mandate/Pre-emption of Home Rule

- Unintended Consequences of Proposed Legislation

Instead of: Unique/One Size Doesn't Fit All

- Our community is socially and economically diverse
- Hard working families, seniors, veterans

Instead of: Cuts in Service

- Adapted to current legislation and changing economic conditions
- Had to make tough choices

Instead of: Great Services

- Competitive
- Streamlined operations
- Open and transparent
- Smart Growth

In addition to: Quality of Life

- Protecting our natural resources
- Keeping our citizens safe
- Promoting family and a family-friendly community

In addition to: Low Taxes

- Exercising fiscal restraint by paying down debt and increasing reserves