## **Policy Development Process**

Each year, municipal officials from across the state volunteer to serve on the League's five Legislative policy committees. Appointments are typically a one-year commitment and involve developing the League's Legislative Action Agenda detailing priority issues that are most likely to affect daily municipal governance and local decision making during the upcoming legislative session. Policy committee members also help League staff understand the real-world implications of proposed legislation and are asked to serve as advocates throughout the legislative process. In an effort to get a broad spectrum of ideas and to more fully understand the impact of League policy proposals on rural and urban cities of all sizes, it is ideal that each of Florida's cities be represented on one or more of the League's Legislative policy committees.

Due to potential sunshine issues, only one elected official per city is appointed to each committee. However, a city could have both an elected and non-elected city official serve on each of the five committees. Appointments are made based upon a city official's support and advocacy of the League's adopted Legislative Action Agenda, participation at meetings, Legislative Action Days and other legislative-related activities.

Want to learn more? <u>View this instructional presentation</u>. If you are interested in learning more about the policy committee process, please contact Mary Edenfied at 850.222.9684 or by email at <u>medenfield@flcities.com</u>.