

M E M O R A N D U M
CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG

TO: The Honorable Chair and Members of City Council
The Honorable Rick Baker, Mayor

FROM: Richard B. Badgley, Sr. Assistant City Attorney *RBB*

DATE: January 8, 2009

RE: National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Parade Special Event Status

The Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday & Legacy Association, Inc. ("MLK Association"), sponsor of the National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration ("Celebration"), requests that the City Council adopt a resolution declaring the National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Parade to be a special event within the meaning of Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. of the St. Petersburg City Code.

Section 16.70.030.1.5. establishes regulations for pushcart vending permits. Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. provides that those permits, when issued for public property locations, will not be valid within designated areas for certain events when City Council declares the event to be a special event and defines the designated area.

The National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Parade ("Parade") will be held on Monday, January 19th, 2009, over a route beginning at Third Avenue and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street South, proceeding north to Central Avenue and then east on Central Avenue to Bayshore Drive, north to Fifth Avenue Northeast, then east to Vinoy Park. The Parade is the only Celebration event that requires this declaration.

The City has in the past designated certain Celebration and Festival of States events as special events within the meaning of Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1.

The MLK Association is requesting that the Parade designated area extend two blocks on either side of the parade route and two blocks in all directions from each terminus of the Parade route, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, January 19, 2009.

Adoption of the attached resolution will declare the National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Parade which will take place on January 19, 2009, to be a special event within the meaning of Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. of the St. Petersburg City Code and will delineate the boundaries and the time within which the special event declaration is to be effective.

Attachment: Resolution

Resolution No.

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE 24th ANNUAL NATIONAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRUM MAJOR FOR JUSTICE PARADE WHICH IS TO TAKE PLACE ON JANUARY 19, 2009, TO BE A SPECIAL EVENT WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. OF THE ST. PETERSBURG CITY CODE; DELINEATING BOUNDARIES AND TIME WITHIN WHICH THE DECLARATION IS TO BE EFFECTIVE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Section 16.70.030.1.5. of the St. Petersburg City Code establishes the regulations for pushcart vending permits; and

WHEREAS, Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. provides that those permits, when issued for public property locations, will not be valid within designated areas for certain events when City Council declares the event to be a special event and designates the area; and

WHEREAS, the Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday & Legacy Association, Inc., sponsor of the National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, has requested that the 24th Annual National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Parade which will take place on January 19, 2009, be declared a special event; and

WHEREAS, this Council is in agreement with this request.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that the 24th Annual National Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Parade ("Parade") to be held on Monday, January 19, 2009, is declared to be a special event within the meaning of Section 16.70.030.1.5. C. 1. of the St. Petersburg City Code; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the boundaries within which the special event declaration is to be effective are two blocks on either side of the Parade route beginning at Third Avenue and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street South, proceeding north to Central Avenue and then east on Central Avenue to Bayshore Drive, north to Fifth Avenue Northeast, east to Bayshore Drive Northeast, then east to Vinoy Park and two blocks in all directions from each terminus of the Parade route, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pushcart vending permits issued for public property locations pursuant to Section 16.70.030.1.5. of the St. Petersburg City Code shall not be valid within the designated area during the time period set forth above.

This resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Legal: _____

