

City of St. Petersburg

**PUBLIC SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE**

Meeting of August 20, 2009 – 9:15 a.m.

City Hall, Room 100

**Members and Alternates:** Chair Karl Nurse, Vice Chair Herbert Polson, Council Member Jeff Danner, Council Member Leslie Curran, and alternate, Council Member Jim Kennedy.

**Others present:** Council Member Wengay Newton, Dave Metz, Amelia Preston, Rick Craft, Mark Winn, John Wolfe, Al Galbraith, Laura Tuleen, Steve Corsetti.

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda: *Agenda was approved.*

Approval of Minutes: *Minutes of July 30, 2009 were approved.*

**1. New Business**

- a. ***Nuisance Abatement*** – Al Galbraith discussed a proposed ordinance that would permit the Nuisance Abatement Board to adopt its own rules of procedure and would provide that the Board may suspend any of its orders, lift the suspension at any time while the Board still has jurisdiction, and impose additional penalties after notice and hearing. Mr. Galbraith also discussed a proposed bill for the Florida Legislature that would allow the Board to declare a property to be a public nuisance if the property has been used as a storage site for drugs sold off the premises; allow the Board to extend the “life” of a Board order by up to one additional year upon a showing that the Board’s order has been violated; and to allow the Board to impose fines based upon the number of incidents of criminal activity shown to have occurred on the property, including incidents outside the six-month “window” in which a minimum number of such incidents are shown to have occurred.

*Action Item: The Committee moved approval to bring the proposed bill to the LAIR Committee for further review and discussion in September. The Committee also moved to send the proposed ordinance to full council for consideration and adoption.*

**2. Continued/Deferred Business**

3. **Next Meeting** – August 27, 2009, 9:15 a.m., Meeting in Room 100.

- a. ***Consolidated Call Center Software Program***, referred by staff (Yost)

- b. *Telestaff Software*, referred by staff (Wimberly)
- c. *Push Cart Ordinance*, referred by Council Member Newton
- d. *Friendship Trail Bridge*, referred by Council Member Kennedy

#### **4. Adjournment**