

COUNCIL MEETING

Municipal Building
175-5th Street North
Second Floor Council Chamber

CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG

November 8, 2012
3:00 PM

A. Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call.

B. Approval of Agenda with Additions and Deletions.

C. Awards and Presentations

1. [Presentation honoring the Tampa Bay Rowdies, Champions of the 2012 North American Soccer League.](#)
2. [Presentation recognizing Tom Carney, the real North Straub Santa.](#)
3. [Presentation recognizing the Firefighter, Fire Officer, and Bert Smith EMT & Paramedic of the Year.](#)
4. [Mayor's Neighborhood Recognition Program – Neighborhood of the Year Award Recipient Presentation.](#)
5. [Proclamation to Ester Venouziou, Mo Venouziou, Thompson Kellett, Billie Jo Grassinger Bell recognizing November 17, 2012 as Shopapalooza Day.](#)
6. [Proclamation to Dr. William Jackson, Director, Sustainable Entrepreneurship & Innovation Alliance at USF St. Petersburg College of Business, Daniel James Scott, Associate Director, Sustainable Entrepreneurship & Innovation Alliance at USF St. Petersburg College of Business and John Morrow, Entrepreneur-In-Residence, Sustainable Entrepreneurship & Innovation Alliance at USF St. Petersburg College of Business recognizing November as Entrepreneurship Month.](#)
7. [Proclamation to Gary Lipsey, volunteer with the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, recognizing November as Pancreatic Cancer Awareness month.](#)
8. [Proclamation to Chairman Jerry Powers congratulating Baypop Magazine on their one \(1\) year anniversary.](#)

D. Correspondence

NOTE: Only the person who has written the letter, or an authorized representative, will be permitted to speak in connection with an item of correspondence. The person speaking will be given three minutes ONLY to state the request. In some instances and at the discretion of City Council, more than three minutes speaking time will be granted.

E. Legal

F. Adjournment

Attached documents for item Presentation honoring the Tampa Bay Rowdies, Champions of the 2012 North American Soccer League.

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS



TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

RE: Council Meeting of November 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Presentation honoring the Tampa Bay Rowdies, Champions of the 2012 North American Soccer League.

Attached documents for item Presentation recognizing Tom Carney, the real North Straub Santa.

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TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

RE: Council Meeting of November 8, 2012

SUBJECT:

Presentation recognizing the retirement of Tom Carney, the real North Straub Santa.

Attached documents for item Presentation recognizing the Firefighter, Fire Officer, and Bert Smith EMT & Paramedic of the Year.

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TO: City Council Chair & Members of City Council

SUBJECT: Fire & Rescue Awards

ACTION: Chief Large will present the recipients to Council

BACKGROUND:

St. Petersburg Fire & Rescue congratulates the winners of the Fire Officer, Paramedic, EMT, and Firefighter of the Year. Members of the department are nominated by their peers and then voted on by the previous years' recipients. We are proud of these individuals and their achievements.

The 2012 Fire Officer of the Year is Lt. Richard Ganci. Lt. Ganci was hired October 6, 1986, and was promoted to Lieutenant on October 29, 2007. He is a state certified EMT, Fire Instructor I, and Fire Inspector, engine and ladder truck operator, PTEC instructor, Live Fire Training instructor, as well as an instructor for the Fire Officer Training Institute. He is a member of the Tampa Bay Regional Search and Rescue Team, Florida Task Force-3, Structural Collapse Technician, Trench Rescue Technician, Marine Response Operations/Water Survival Instructor, and Thermal Imaging Instructor. He has been assigned to the Safety and Training Division since 2009.

According to his nomination letters, Lt. Ganci's tremendous love for the job, organization and its people is evident in the tireless effort he puts forth. He is a strong leader and maintains trusted influence below, at, and above his rank. "Because of Lt. Ganci, many have renewed their zeal for training and excellence." He inspires everyone to be industrious, proficient, and assertive in accomplishing the mission of the fire department.

Being a solid leader, mentor and teacher are the responsibilities of an officer and the traits of an excellent one, all of which Lt. Ganci exhibits. During his tenure in the Training Division, he has spearheaded and managed the department's Target Solutions Learning Management System, implemented the continuing education program for engine apparatus operators, and has played an instrumental role in the development of the high rise night training program.

"He has proven to be an invaluable asset to our organization, Pinellas County, and the Safety & Training Division as well."

The 2012 Bert Smith Paramedic of the Year is Firefighter/Paramedic Alan Jones. Firefighter/Paramedic Jones was hired on October 2, 1995, and was promoted to Firefighter/Paramedic on January 1, 2001. Alan serves as an acting lieutenant and volunteers for many department activities, including shelter supplies, special needs, MDA, and the block party. His most recent accomplishment was receiving an award from HCA Hospitals for the great job he is doing in the field.

According to his nomination letter, Alan is consistently pleasant and goes the extra mile to do the right thing for the department and patient. He is a leader in the community and on the job. Alan demonstrates his leadership ability by counseling St. Pete College students, new employees, and also some veteran paramedics and EMTs. Alan loves the opportunity to teach others.

“I consider Alan Jones to be one of the most caring, compassionate and dedicated clinicians the department has to offer.”

The 2012 Bert Smith EMT of the Year is Firefighter/EMT James Metevia. Firefighter/EMT Metevia was hired on October 14, 2002. He is a state and county certified EMT and has a BA in Marketing/Management.

According to his nomination letter, Firefighter/EMT Metevia goes above and beyond the standards and expectations of those around him. He consistently maintains his equipment and does not require directions or prompting because he always knows what has to be done. Jim has exceptionally knowledgeable and makes the work of the paramedic infinitely easier. He is one of SPFR’s most outstanding employees, has an exceptional work ethic, as well as an uncommon degree of leadership and commitment to his fellow firefighters and the community he serves. Jim often cannot pass a skill crane without spending a few dollars to win stuffed toys (for which he is unusually talented). He not only personally restocks the supply of stuffed animals on Rescue 3, but often finds random opportunities to give them out during a shift to brighten the days of children. This small act not only contributes to the good image of SPFR, but also speaks volumes about Jim’s character.

“Jim Metevia is unquestionably one of the most capable firefighters and EMTs in Pinellas County. Any individual who knows Jim would be hard pressed to deny his professionalism, moral character, and sheer capacity.”

The 2012 Firefighter of the Year is Firefighter/EMT William Westlund. Firefighter/EMT Westlund was hired on November 19, 1990. He is a driver engineer, EMT, Dive Team member, a Special Operator assigned to the Technical Rescue Team specializing in extremely difficult rescue and extrication operations, and a Rescue Specialist assigned to one of only a few Type I Urban Search and Rescue Task Forces in the country. He is experienced in responding and performing in disaster operations and under extreme circumstances. Bill is also a mentor to new firefighters.

According to his nomination letter, is multi-disciplined and takes a great deal of pride in his work product. He strives to make the people around him better by leading by example. He is a founding and still active member of both the Pinellas Technical Rescue Team and Florida USAR Task Force 3.

“Firefighter Westlund is the type of firefighter every company officer would love to have on his crew”

Attached documents for item Mayor's Neighborhood Recognition Program – Neighborhood of the Year Award Recipient Presentation.

SAINT PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL

AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS AGENDA

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TO: The Honorable Leslie Curran, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT: Mayor's Neighborhood Recognition Program – Neighborhood of the Year Award Recipient Presentation.

EXPLANATION: The Mayor's Neighborhood Recognition Program recognizes the uniqueness and diversity of the city's neighborhoods. The program celebrates our citizens' commitment to their community through their volunteer efforts to enhance their quality life but also the collaborative efforts with youth organizations. In addition, the program is intended to incentivize neighborhood groups to increase their civic engagement, including collaboration with other community groups.

RECOMMENDATION: N/A

COST/FUNDING/INFORMATION: The designation of *Neighborhood of Year* will award \$5,000 to the neighborhood to further enhance their physical environment or provide an opportunity to further build relationships through the development/sponsoring of an event. It will also provide a \$5,000 award to the neighborhood's youth group partner, sponsored by SunTrust Bank. The funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2012 General Fund (0001) Community Services Department (083.1081).

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

APPROVALS:

Administration

N/A

Budget

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TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

RE: Council Meeting of November 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Entrepreneurship Month

PRESENTATION: Mayor will present a proclamation to Ester Venouziou, Mo Venouziou, Thompson Kellett, Billie Jo Grassinger Bell recognizing November 17th as Shopapalooza Day.

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SUBJECT: Baypop Magazine

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