A. **Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call.**
   Invocation and Pledge to the Flag of the United States of America.

B. **Approval of Agenda with Additions and Deletions.**

C. **Awards and Presentations**
   1. [Mentoring Month Proclamation](#)
   2. [Localtopia Presentation](#)
   3. [Volunteer Road Patrol Recognition](#)

D. **Legal**

E. **Adjournment**
January 5, 2017

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

SUBJECT: *Take Stock In Children ‘Mentoring Month’ Proclamation*

PRESENTER: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, or City Administrator

SCHEDULE FOR COUNCIL ON:

   Agenda of **JANUARY 12, 2017**

Rick Kriseman
Mayor
WHEREAS, the City of St. Petersburg believes that education is the foundation for a healthy and prosperous community; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Petersburg recognizes that educating our children is the responsibility of the entire community; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Petersburg has made education a top priority by supporting and advocating for its public schools; and

WHEREAS, employees of the City of St. Petersburg have supported the Pinellas Education Foundation’s Take Stock in Children Program with their time and treasure for decades; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that children who are mentored by a caring adult role model are more likely to graduate from high school and continue their education at a college or technical school; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of employees of the City of St. Petersburg devote their time to mentor Take Stock in Children scholars in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, St. Petersburg appreciates all of the businesses and individuals in our community who encourage their employees to mentor our community’s children.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Kriseman, Mayor of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, along with St. Petersburg City Council, join other cities around the country in support of mentorship by declaring January 2017 to be:

ST. PETERSBURG MENTORING MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official Seal of the City of St. Petersburg, County of Pinellas, and State of Florida to be affixed this 1st day of January, 2017.

Rick Kriseman
Mayor
December 20, 2016

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

SUBJECT: Localtopia

PRESENTER: Olga Bof, Executive Director - Keep Saint Petersburg Local

SCHEDULE FOR COUNCIL ON:

Agenda of January 12, 2017
ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL
AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

Meeting of January 12, 2017

TO: City Council Chair & Members of City Council

FROM: Lendel Bright, ADA & Diversity Coordinator

SUBJECT: Recognition of Members of the St. Petersburg Police Department’s Volunteer Road Patrol

EXPLANATION: The members of the City’s Committee to Advocate for Persons with Impairments (CAPI) is honoring the members of the Volunteer Road Patrol in recognition of their dedication and hard work in enforcing the disabled parking provisions and statutes.

The Volunteer Road Patrol Division, under the direction of Officer Ron Wolfson, assists the Police Department by tagging and impounding abandoned vehicles, often recovering stolen vehicles in the process. They handle found property complaints that are called in to the Police Department; recovering bicycles and other found items. They log these items into the property section of the Police Department, completing a police report to document the incident. The Division assists disabled motorists and may aid in traffic direction at vehicle crashes, traffic light outages and fire scenes.

Volunteers are also trained and authorized to issue parking citations for various types of illegal parking such as handicap parking, fire lane violations and tree line parking.

A select number of these dedicated volunteers also make themselves available to assist with traffic direction at any time of the day or night as emergency assistance to the on duty patrol officers. Those officers can then be available to answer other police calls for service.

In 2014 & 2015 the Road Patrol and Disabled Parking Enforcement Specialists issued 793 parking citations. Revenue received from fines
assessed for illegally parking in designated disabled parking spaces is split between the parking enforcement administration and an allocation designated to be used for enhancing accessibility features for City facilities, programs and services. These volunteers provided 13,444 total hours of service to our community during this time period. We recognize their dedicated and valuable service to our community.