

City of St. Petersburg
Public Services & Infrastructure Committee
Meeting of April 23, 2015 - 9:15 a.m.
City Hall, Room 100

Members: Chair Bill Dudley; Vice-Chair Steve Kornell
Council Members: Jim Kennedy and Darden Rice

Alternate(s): Amy Foster

Support Staff: Blaise Mazzola, primary support staff; Mika Nelson, backup staff support

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approval of Agenda
- 3) Approval of Minutes

April 9, 2015

4) New Business

Short Term Improvements in regulating noise downtown. (Mark Winn, Legal Department; Major Sharon Carron, Police Department; Lieutenant Markus Hughes, Police Department)

5) New Business – Council Referrals

- a) Referring to the Public Services and Infrastructure Committee for a report from the Legal Department regarding the current Door-to-Door Solicitation Ordinance. (Councilmember Kornell)
- b) Referring to the Public Services and Infrastructure Committee for consideration of possible ordinance and regulation changes to make St. Petersburg a more Pedalpub city, also to consider downtown horse drawn carriage tours. (Councilmember Nurse)
- c) Referring to PSI for a report regarding the regulations and enforcement of truck routes in neighborhoods. (Councilmember Kennedy)

5) Upcoming Meetings

May 21, 2015

City Code 16.60.030.2, Nonconforming Lots and Grandfathered Situations (Dave Goodwin)

6) Adjournment

Attachments: Minutes of April 9, 2015 Committee Meeting
Pending and Continuing Referral List

CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG

Public Services and Infrastructure Committee Meeting

April 9, 2015 @ 9:15 a.m.

PRESENT: Committee Chair Bill Dudley; James R. Kennedy, Jr., Darden Rice, Steve Kornell and Amy Foster (alternate)

ALSO PRESENT: Council Members Charlie Gerdes and Karl Nurse; John Wolfe, City Attorney; Jordan Wolfgram, Assistant City Attorney; Support Staff: Blaise Mazzola, Claims Supervisor and primary support staff; Mika Nelson, Library Director and backup support staff; and Patricia Beneby, Deputy City Clerk

Committee Chair Dudley opened the meeting with roll call. Councilmember Kennedy moved for approval of the Agenda. All were in favor of the motion. Councilmember Kornell moved for approval of the minutes for the March 26, 2015 PSI meeting. All were in favor of the motion. Councilmember Kennedy recommended Councilmember Gerdes's suggestion to have staff review the possibility of offering transportation such as the Looper or PSTA as an optional add on to City monthly parking garage customers remain on the Pending and Continuing Referral List.

In connection with the new business, strengthening the current ordinance to prevent lawn clippings from entering the stormwater drainage system, Assistant City Attorney Jordan Wolfgram provided a draft ordinance amending Chapter 16 of the St. Petersburg City Code by increasing penalties for improper disposal of grass clippings, tree trimmings, and other vegetative material by commercial persons or entities; and amending Chapter 27 to establish increased penalties for certain discharges into the stormwater system. Discussion was held regarding educating citizens and businesses regarding the ordinance. City Attorney John Wolfe explained that both the property owner and the landscape or lawn care business would be subject to a fine. Councilmember Dudley commented that educating the public and businesses would be good and suggested flyers be placed at all kiosks and local media should be involved. Councilmember Rice indicated that the education element should stress the fact that the clippings are a nutrient pollutant and when placed in our storm system the result is pollutants entering our bay waters. Councilmember Kornell added that the education of the public should stress why it is important not to allow lawn clippings to enter the system. Councilmember Kennedy moved to forward the proposed ordinance with the Committee Report to full Council to be heard at the next Council meeting (April 16) for First Reading and setting the public hearing date. All were in favor of the motion.

Councilmember Nurse discussed the issue of backyard gun ranges in residential neighborhoods and how can the City prevent or regulate gun ranges in residential areas. City Attorney Wolfe responded that Legal will look into the issue.

The next meeting will be held on April 23, 2015.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

PENDING / CONTINUING REFERRALS

		TOPIC	DATE REFERRED	REFERRED BY	MEETING DATE(S)	RETURN DATE	STAFF	SPECIAL NOTES
1	Policy or Program Change	Unimproved Alleys	12/20/2012	Nurse	03/27/14,1/15/15	07/2015	Codes Compliance Assistance Todd Yost Planning and Economic Development Dave Goodwin	Referral Document City staff to provide a 6 month update of efforts to improve maintenance of “unused” alleys through utilization of community information and code enforcement.
2	Code Change	Mitigation of noise associated with construction projects that utilize pile driving through amending ordinance.	11/06/2014	Nurse	11/24/14, 3/12/15	09/2015	Planning and Economic Development Dave Goodwin	Referral Document
		Use of city streets during construction projects.	1/22/15		1/29/15, 3/12/15			Referral Document 2 Referrals have been combined, staff to form task force and return to PS&I in September 2015
3	Code Change	Modification of existing ordinance to allow for wet zone(s) on particular days and specific hours and to include the opportunity for fundraising for the Arts endowment.	12/4/14	Kennedy	12/11/14	TBD	Legal	Referral Document Councilmember Kennedy to reach out to Edge District to gauge level of interest and bring back to committee at an unspecified time.
4	Code Change	City Code Section 16.60.030.2, Nonconforming Lots and Grandfathered Situations.	12/4/14	Kornell	12/11/14, 3/12/15	5/21/15	Planning and Economic Development Dave Goodwin	Referral Document Legal and Planning & Economic Development to work on making the code clearer and return to the PS&I Committee at a date to be determined.
5	Code Change	Transportation such as the Looper or PSTA as an optional add on to City monthly parking garage customers.	2/5/15	Dudley	3/12/15, 3/26/15	TBD	Transportation and Parking Evan Mory	Referral Document Original referral involved proposed changes to City Code Section 26-152,CM Kennedy requested this item remain on the pending list ; staff will review the possibility of offering transportation such as the Looper or PSTA as an optional add on to City monthly parking garage customers as CM Gerdes suggested during the 3/26/15 PS & I Meeting

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6	Code Change	Short Term Improvements Regulating Noise Downtown.	2/5/15	Nurse	3/12/15, 3/26/15	4/23/15	Mark Winn Legal Major Sharon Carron; Lt. Markus Hughes Police Dept	Referral Document
7	Code Change	Referring to the Public Services and Infrastructure Committee for a report from the Legal Department regarding the current Door-to-Door Solicitation Ordinance.	4/16/15	Kornell	4/23/15	TBD	City Legal	Referral Document
8	Policy or Program Change Code Change	Consideration of possible ordinance and regulation changes to make St. Petersburg a more Pedalpub city, also to consider downtown horse drawn carriage tours.	4/16/15	Nurse	4/23/15	TBD	Evan Mory Transportation & Parking City Legal	Referral Document
9	Policy or Program Change	Referring to PS&I for a report regarding the regulations and enforcement of truck routes in neighborhoods.	4/16/15	Kennedy	4/23/15	TBD	Heather Judd Legal	Referral was made by a motion during the 4/16/15 City Council Meeting.