



City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street
Pensacola, FL 32502

Memorandum

File #: 17-00175

City Council

4/13/2017

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSORS: Ashton J. Hayward, III, Mayor
City Council President Brian Spencer

SUBJECT:

CREATION OF SECTION 8-1-28 OF THE CITY CODE - PROHIBITING SOLICITATION OF DONATIONS UPON PUBLIC SIDEWALKS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN THE DOWNTOWN VISITORS' DISTRICT

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt an ordinance creating Section 8-1-28 of the City Code - Prohibiting solicitation of donations upon public sidewalks and rights-of-way in the Downtown Visitors' District.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The City has received complaints from members of the public and downtown businesses about the presence of individuals soliciting donations either verbally or by the use of signage. The solicitation of donations obstructs the free flow of pedestrian traffic in the downtown area and it negatively affects residents, visitors and businesses.

The Downtown Improvement Board asked the City to consider a regulation which would protect the public from this nuisance activity, preserve the significant investment of the businesses and the City in the Downtown Improvement District and enhance the experience of the public in the downtown business area.

PRIOR ACTION:

Items postponed for April 13th meeting

FUNDING:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

2/24/2017

STAFF CONTACT:

Eric W. Olson, City Administrator

Lysia H. Bowling, City Attorney

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Letter from John Peacock, DIB Chair, dated February 21, 2017 with Ordinance Boundary Map Attachment
- 2) Proposed Ordinance

PRESENTATION: No