#### City of St. Petersburg Committee of the Whole February 24, 2022 @ 2:00 City Hall, Room 100

Members: Council Chair Gina Driscoll, Council Vice-Chair Brandi Gabbard, Council Members Copley Gerdes, Ed Montanari, Lisset Hanewicz, Deborah Figgs-Sanders, Lisa Wheeler-Bowman and Richie Floyd

Support Staff: Tricia Terry – Legislative Aide

#### 1) Call to Order

- 2) Approval of Agenda
- 3) Approval of January 27, 2022 Minutes
- 4) New Business February 24, 2022

#### Presentation and Discussion on the St. Pete 2050 Plan

- a) Affordable Housing Initiatives Presentation Liz Abernethy, Director of Planning and Development Derek Kilborn, Urban Design and Historic Preservation Manager
- b) SunRunner Rising Development Study Presentation Eric Bosman & Jared Schneider – Kimley Horn

#### Attachments:

- 1) Affordable Housing Initiatives PowerPoint Presentation
- 2) SunRunner Rising Development Study PowerPoint Presentation

#### 5) Upcoming Meeting Dates & Tentative Agenda Items

March 31, 2022 @ 2:00 Joint City Council/CPPC Meeting

April 21, 2022 @ 10:00 FY23 CIP Budget

#### **General Attachments:**

Minutes of the January 27, 2022 Meeting Pending and Continuing Referral List Agenda Item Support Material

#### St. Petersburg City Council Committee of the Whole Report Meeting Minutes from January 27, 2022

Present:	Chair Gina Driscoll, Vice-Chair Brandi Gabbard, Council members Copley Gerdes, Ed Montanari, Lisset Hanewicz, Deborah Figgs-Sanders, Lisa Wheeler-Bowman and Richie Floyd
Also Present:	Mayor Ken Welch, Deputy Mayor Stephanie Owens, Interim City Administrator Tom Green, City Attorney Jackie Kovilaritch, Budget and Management Direct Liz Makofske and City Clerk Chan Srinivasa

#### New Business: FY23 Budget Priorities

Mayor Welch gave opening remarks. Deputy Mayor Owens made brief remarks. Budget and Management Director Liz Makofske began the meeting with an overview of the budget process and explained that the meeting is to get the FY23 budget priorities from Council members for Administration to use during the development of FY23 budget.

Chair Driscoll opened the floor to Council members to provide their priorities. The priorities listed below are in the order they spoke:

### FY23 City Council Budget Priorities January 27, 2022

#### Vice Chair Gabbard (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- Fund the creation of a Gateway District Plan
- \$1 million appropriation for the YMCA/Pinellas County School shared middle school and recreation facility project
- Infrastructure in District 2 seawalls and areas where water intrusion come into the District
- Police Department goal of 600 sworn officers. Ways to recruit, train and retain
- CALL Program seeing through the promises that were made in 2020
- SPFR a new rescue unit for Station 13
- SPFR Fire Rescue Station 2
- SPFR Fire Rescue Truck 9 & Staff
- SPFR Staff Medic Units 1,3,7
- SPFR Staff Fire Rescue Engine 1 & 4
- SPFR District Chief 6 placed in service
- Increase funding for City Employees with attention to City Employees and collective bargaining
- Implement an Employee Assisted Housing program
- Housing and Neighborhood Stability
- City Owned Land Housing Policy

- Expand Affordable and Workforce Housing
- Allocate Surplus Funds at year end to Affordable Housing Fund
- Creation of Flood Mitigation and Private Infrastructure Revolving Loan Program
- Reducing the Community Rating System for Flood Insurance
- Additional staff for City's Flood Plain Manager
- Increased funding for Rebates for Rehab Program and expand citywide
- Increase funding for the N-Team
- Continued exploration and implementation of a Co-Op Housing Business and Grocery incentive
- Increase funding for financial literacy program
- Working on food insecurity concerns

#### Council member Floyd (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- Increase funding for wages for city employees, particularly non-emergency employees
- Increased funding for affordable housing, particularly public housing and rental assistance for hotel and motel residents
- Funding for Contract Enforcement surrounding responsible bidders and Apprenticeships
- Funding for Office of Sustainability and Resiliency for staff time for a variety of programs that cross the gap for environmental justice and economic justice, particularly energy efficiencies in homes and rental housing and city buildings
- Funding for increased urban canopies
- Funding for incentivizing sustainable business practices, including environmental and living wage considerations
- Develop a plan to incorporate Advanced Wastewater Treatment practices
- Funding for a Community ID card program
- Increased funding for the CALL Program
- Street safety in the Grand Central District and around the 34<sup>th</sup> Street corridor increased lighting, crosswalks, traffic slowing operations, parking signs

#### Council member Gerdes (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- SPPD Wage increase to Police force with next bargaining coming forward
- SPPD New K9 Training Facility
- SPFR Addition of Rescue 13
- SPFR Adding Truck 9 and necessary staff
- Continue to fund the St. Petersburg housing plan specifically focusing on the 80% of AMI
- \$5 million for the new Carter G. Woodson Museum
- Increase Arts funding to \$1.5 million and increase an additional \$1 million in FY24, FY25 and FY26
- Funding ISAP program and increase funding of the Office of Sustainability and Resiliency
- Creation of an employee home purchase loan program
- Increase to Penny Funding for sidewalks

- Continued investment in the Complete Streets Initiative
- CIP Project for the renovation of the Obama Library Main Library
- Renovation of the Williams Park Bandshell
- Renovation of the grass at Vinoy Park
- Feasibility Study on the Enoch Dave Center and the Sunshine Center
- Continued funding of the Grow Smarter campaign and the EDC
- Increase the funding for the Greenhouse to \$200,000
- Increase the operations budget for the Office of City Council

#### Council member Hanewicz (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- Continue funding the Complete Streets with a goal of \$825,000
- Rectangular Rapid flashing Beacons with a goal of \$150,000
- Continue funding Traffic Safety Program
- \$800,000 for the sidewalk reconstruction and \$350,000 for the expansion of sidewalks
- Increase funding for paving to \$4.5 million
- Staffing for Medic Units 1,3,7
- Rescue 13 and Truck 9Rescue 4 additional staffing and Engine One to be placed in service
- Activate District Chief 6
- Police Department to be fully staffed. Evaluate if funding needs to be increase for traffic enforcement
- \$5 million for the stormwater and infrastructure improvements and drainage project in Old Northeast
- Support of additional resources and operating budget for the new lake manager position and the upcoming lake management plan.
- \$100,000 to support the Crescent Lake Management Plan
- \$750,000 for continued funding of the Housing Capital Improvement Fund
- \$1.5 million for affordable housing land acquisition funding
- Support CRA's Housing Rehab and Assistance Programs
- Continue to find ways to increase the supply of ADU's, market rate and multi-family housing units through expanding zoning categories
- \$300,000 for the Crescent Lake Tennis Court Rebuild Project
- Maintain funding levels suitable to increase the capacity and reliability of water, wastewater, reclaimed water systems and continue following the recommendations of our master plan
- \$750,000 transfer to the Economic Stability Fund
- Urban Canopy return to having a city tree program planting trees throughout the City

#### **Council member Figgs-Sanders**

- Expand City assistance to affordable workforce housing program begin created to organizations such like Habitat and CHAF with more focus on multi-family and incorporate emergency rental assistance programs
- Strategic Plan for each District

- Increase funding for N-Team
- Increase funding for neighborhood associations; continue support of CONA and other neighborhood associations
- Fund the Carter G. Woodson Museum
- Expand Citywide sidewalk program
- Continue to fund and address Lake Maggoire issues and implement a maintenance plan
- Create and fund a private program to address litter
- Partner with and assist funding for local educational systems to upskill, retrain, recertify residents that would lead to city employment
- Expand our youth programs and include mental accessibility
- Additional funding for Social Action Funding Committee
- Continue funding for Private Lateral loans
- Funds to close the Business District gaps on 34<sup>th</sup> Street
- Larger financial role in the MLK Parade to assist with the operations of the parade
- Increase the City Council budget
- Collective Bargaining with employees, including Sanitation employees
- Traffic Safety Programs: calming devices, rapid flashing beacons, crosswalks, etc.
- Continue with the Disparity Study to help small and minority owned businesses

#### **Council member Wheeler-Bowman**

- Sidewalks funding especially in District 7 to complete gaps
- Increase funding for yearlong youth employment
- VPK funding assistance for families
- Assist with funding of the MLK Parade
- Crosswalk or Beacons for 9<sup>th</sup> Street and 38<sup>th</sup> Avenue South
- Funding for the cleaning and maintenance of Childs Park Lake, Lake Maggiore, and lake by Dell Holmes
- Funding for cleaning and maintenance of all City lakes
- Funding for alley potholes
- Increase wages for City employees
- Increase wages for police officers; increase number of officers
- Agrees with all of colleague's priorities

#### Council member Montanari (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- \$1 million into the Economic Stability Fund
- 2/10<sup>th</sup> millage rate cut (.200 mills)
- Funding for police officers
- Funding for a new Fire Department Training Center
- Funding for a new K-9 Training Center approximately \$5.9 million from penny funds

- \$250,000 for storage capacity for their major crime storage room in for the evidentiary services unit
- \$435,000 for a solid-state storage device for the Cybercrimes Unit.
- Funding for a new CAD/RMS system for SPPD
- Continue funding for Fire Station 2
- Additional staffing for Medic Units 1, 3 and 7
- Rescue 13 and 1
- Staffing for Heavy Rescue 4
- City employee salaries keep up with inflation
- Funding for Obama Library
- Funding for Williams Park Bandshell
- Funding for Enoch Davis Center
- Funding for the Sunshine Center
- Additional \$100,000 for Sidewalk Expansion (\$350,000 total)
- Additional \$100,000 for ADA Ramps
- Additional \$100,000 for City Trails
- Advance fund construction portion of North Shore Elementary Sidewalks Project (34th)
- Increased funding to enhance traffic flow
- At least \$500,000 for traffic signal Mast Arms
- \$150,000 for Traffic Signal Controllers
- Additional funding to update city infrastructure in flood prone neighborhoods
- Increase paving by \$1 million
- Funding for a neighborhood character study
- Funding for neighborhood planning
- Funding for lake management
- \$800,000 to plant 1000 trees
- Fully fund Grow Smarter and EDC

#### Chair Driscoll (also sent a memo to the Mayor expanding on the below priorities):

- Funding for the construction of SPFR Station 2
- SPFR Training Facility
- SPPD K-9 Facility
- Medic Units 1, 3 and 7 increasing to 24 hours and staffed
- SPFR Truck 9 and Engine 1
- Heavy Rescue 4 to be fully staffed
- District Chief 6 placed in service on west side
- Fully fund Fire Explorer Program
- Long term planning relocating Master Station to the Tropicana Field site redevelopment
- SPPD full force strength
- Continue contract with Dr. Benson for SPPD and SPFR mental health services and expanded to include immediate family or household residents
- Evaluate Police Explorer Program

- Funding for the implementation of ISAP
- Additional seed funding for the Revolving Energy Investment Fund
- Creation and funding of an energy efficiency residential grant program
- Creation and funding of an incentive program for sustainable business practices
- Consider changes to the CHHA requirements, investments in community resilience initiatives
- Increase investments in EV infrastructure to support Green Fleets policies
- More trees
- Non-utility infrastructure projects do not have a dedicated funding source. Need to identify and fund the most critical needs
- Increase stormwater budget to avoid major rate increases
- Pave the remaining unpaved roads based on neighborhood requests
- Rebate or incentive program for private lateral repairs and replacement
- Fund our bus shelter match program at PSTA
- Accelerate the Complete Streets plan
- Fund the screening of city owned downtown parking garages that cause light pollution to neighboring residential buildings
- Facility repairs and maintenance for Williams Park
- Fund the Obama Library
- Repairs and improvement at Enoch Davis Center
- Sunshine Center
- Vinoy Park funding for a consultant to help us create a sustainable and cost effective plan to quickly repair the park after events
- Increased staffing for Parks
- Increase contract with Keep Pinellas Beautiful
- Updating Neighborhood plans and launch the DIY process development by the Community Services Department
- Affordable Housing
- Employee housing assistance
- Increase support for food banks, Meals on Wheels, and meal programs for children and implement the healthy food access plan from healthy St. Pete
- Increase funding for utility funding enough to expand eligibility
- Increase the grant limit for the neighborhood Partnership Grants
- Implementation of the Disparity Study action plan
- A second Greenhouse location in south St. Petersburg
- Funding Digital Inclusion St. Pete
- Fund Main Streets Program
- Substantial funding for children's literacy
- Funding for repairs and upgrades at the Science Center pending results of feasibility study
- Increase funding the MLK parade
- MSC and Municipal Marina projects direction and funding to move both projects forward

City Attorney Jackie Kovilartich updated Council on the status of the updated manual stating that it will be on the Consent Agenda for the February 10 meeting, but wanted to highlight one item that was different from the discussion at the December Committee of the Whole meeting that relates to Proclamations on behalf of individual Council Members. The Legal Department conducted research to look at if it is appropriate for an individual council member to do a Proclamation. Everything that they've seen in both the charter and state law indicates that it would not be appropriate because the Mayor is the head of city government for ceremonial purposes. There were tweaks made to that portion of the manual to make it more clear and stated that substantively should remain the same.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

For informational purposes only – follow up Budget Memos as referenced above:

Council member Gerdes FY2023 Budget Memo Council Vice-Chair Gabbard FY2023 Budget Memo Council member Montanari FY2023 Budget Memo Council member Hanewicz FY2023 Budget Memo Council Chair Driscoll FY2023 Budget Memo Council member Floyd FY2023 Budget Memo



#### ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL

January 26, 2022

Mayor Kenneth T Welch,

I am writing to you, and the administration, with my budget priorities of Fiscal Year 2023 for the City of St. Petersburg. First, I want to thank you and your staff, in advance, of all the hard work I know you all will put into the budget process. When dealing with a \$750 Million Dollar budget, it is complex and time consuming. I know input of City Council will give you many avenues to explore and I hope some guidance to the important issues facing our great city. St. Pete is an amazing place and we have been entrusted with navigating the near future while considering generations away. I have faith that fulfill the promises our community has made and we will live up to our potential both of servants to the public and as a community.

With that being said, my budget priorities for the fiscal year 2023 are as follows:

- One of the main components of city government is public safety. Though our city has continued to grow, and we have increased are allowable police force, our Police officer numbers have stayed somewhat flat. This has to do with officers retiring and a difficult hiring environment due to the effects of COVID. In 2022, we will negotiate a new contract with our Police force, and I would advocate for a meaningful wage increase for our police force for the fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025. Calls to service are at an all-time high which only exacerbates the slow growth of our force. We are asking our officers to do significantly more work, with the same pay, while longstanding leadership retires. In addition, I would ask administration to look at pension disparity between length of service and age when it comes to entering D.R.O.P.. My belief is that the pension, and the mechanics of such, is a useful recruiting tool and we should try to maximize it. Lastly, I would like administration to evaluate a new site for our K9 training center. The current site is on top of a landfill and causes many issues including unsafe workspace (glass uncovered because of rainfall is one example) and our officers deserve better.
- I would like the addition of Rescue 13 to station 13 and all necessary staff. 13 is the busiest house
  in the city and this will help relieve some of the pressure put on other houses when 13 is on
  lengthy calls on the Howard Franklin or the Gandy bridge. I would like to see Truck 9 and necessary
  staff placed in service on the west side of St. Petersburg. This isn't just about not having a truck
  west of 31<sup>st</sup> Street, it's also about the staff that comes with this truck to ensure District 1 is
  adequately staffed for the public's safety.



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- Affordable Housing. The continued funding of St. Petersburg's housing plan especially focusing on 80% of AMI and below by using city owned land and public/private partnerships to intentionally increase housing stock for those who need it the most.
- We have an amazing history here in St. Petersburg. We have the opportunity to celebrate that
  history and learn from it with the Carter G. Woodson Museum Redevelopment. I support a 5million-dollar line item to help The Woodson Museum come to life in the fashion it deserves. I
  hope that the county, the state, and the federal government will match this earmark ensuring the
  successful redevelopment of this great city asset.
- I would like an intentional investment into the Arts community that was the saving grace of St. Petersburg coming out of the great recession. If we want to truly be called an Arts community, then we must act like it. I would ask to increase our Arts funding from 405k to \$1.5 million and increasing an addition \$1 million in fiscal years 24, 25, and 26 reaching a goal of \$4.5 million.
- Sustainability and Resiliency will define our generation and will shape the way our city looks for future generations. I'd ask that we fund the ISAP program through our budget and increase the funding of our Sustainability and Resiliency Office. We must ensure our kids have a city to come home to in the future.
- Employees of the City of St. Petersburg should not have to worry about qualifying for a loan to live within city limits. Home ownership should be an attainable dream for all that work here. I support the creation of an employee home purchase loan program that enables all city workers to obtain the dream of home ownership.
- I ask that the city continues to invest in the Complete Streets Initiative. Connecting the corners of
  our city with all modes of transportation is integral to the vibrancy of our neighborhoods and our
  activity centers. Complete streets create welcoming corridors across the city and are necessary
  for the City's success. Along with complete streets, I would like to see increased penny funding
  for our sidewalks. As it stands today, it would take 800 years to replace/fix all the sidewalks in St.
  Petersburg. I know we can do better than that.
- Parks and Recreation. This is near and dear to my heart as I am where I am at today because of the parks and recreation department. My first request would be to return the park and recreation department budget back to the level of pre-recession. When our city needed to tighten the purse strings coming out of 2009, parks and recreation took a large brunt of that. We need to fully fund this department to the level needed and being requested by staff. That being said, please consider the following: 1. 1 time Capital CIP project for the renovation of the Obama Main Library 2. The Williams Park Band Shell is nearing its end of life and there are multiple public private partnerships that could be used for that space. We need to renovate and upgrade that space so these partnerships can flourish 3. We need to fund the renovation of the grass at Vinoy park. Because of the current state (St. Augustine Grass) it can sometimes take weeks for our waterfront to grow back to what looks like a reasonable park and because of that time gap, we lose out on vendors wanting to use the park which creates revenue for the city.
- I support the continued funding for the Grow Smarter Campaign and the EDC. These entities are crucially important to the strategic growth of our city and I support both in their efforts.
- I support the increase of funding to the greenhouse from \$96,000 to \$200,000. Small businesses will continue to be a part of the DNA of St. Petersburg and we need to support those initiatives the best that we can.

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As I sit back and reflect on all these priorities, I am full of excitement and encouragement. I am excited to partner with you to make all these dreams become a reality and I am encouraged that we have the right people to accomplish it. Our beautiful city, where sun shines on all, is full of amazing, inspiring people. We have also let some of our citizens down and left them behind. My excitement and encouragement also come from the idea of lifting those same people up and no longer leaving them behind. We can succeed at both. I believe it in my heart. This administration has my support, my willingness to listen and my passion to work together. WE ARE ST. PETE. Now, let's make sure we act like it.

All My Best, U Copley Gerde **City Council Member, District 1** 

cc:

Deputy Mayor Stephanie Owens Interim City Administrator Tom Greene Assistant City Administrator Robert Gerdes



# MEMORANDUM Office of City Council

Mayor Ken Welch FROM: City Council Vice-Chair Brandi Gabbard

SUBJECT: FY2023 Budget Priorities

DATE: January 27, 2022

Mayor Welch,

As a follow up to the January 27th Committee of the Whole Meeting where Council members presented their individual budget priorities for FY2023, I am forwarding the following memo. Please consider this to be my official notice of personal budget priorities. This list was derived through meetings with neighborhood associations, union leadership, city partners, stakeholders, and individual residents. As always, I appreciate the opportunity to discuss all matters further in the coming months as the budget draft is being developed. If there are questions, please feel free to have your budget team reach out to set up one on one meetings to review the following items in more detail.

As we enter a new and exciting time for our city under your leadership, many of the priorities I am presenting to your office for consideration are repeats of those I have presented in years past. I recognize fully that the budget process is delicate, and resources are finite. It is my hope that we can collaborate on issues of shared importance and utilize our budget to continue to make St. Petersburg a place that allows all residents to thrive and prosper.

#### **District 2 Specific Requests**

District 2 is a vibrant and unique part of our city and prides itself on being the Gateway for those who are entering our city from surrounding areas. Being a major employment and activity center brings a lot of private investment into the area however at times it seems that revitalization of the district has been slow to meet the complete needs of residents who call District 2 home. For that reason, I am requesting that a Gateway District Plan be developed much like others we have seen be so successful in areas such as the Skyway Marina District. A plan focusing on the revitalization of 4<sup>th</sup> St N and Dr MLK Jr St N starting at 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave N and extending north to I275 would attract much needed services and private investment. A vision for the future of the District and the identity that would blossom from this vision would increase property values, remove blight, and create a coastal district that is redeveloped in a sustainable and resilient way. The completion of the Forward Pinellas Gateway Master Plan in 2019 and the changes implemented in the Coastal High Hazard area in 2020 both have significant impacts on District 2. Therefore, it is my belief that the time is now to shine a brighter light on the opportunities that exist in this important part of our city.

As we are all aware, an agreement has been reached with Pinellas County Schools and the YMCA to build a shared middle school and recreation facility on 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave NE in my district. To say that my residents are excited about this opportunity would be aff

understatement. Both facilities have been needed for decades to support the residents of North St. Pete, but this cannot happen without collaboration and capital. I am requesting that we work with these entities to provide all resources necessary to the creation of this project including, but not limited to, a \$1,000,000 appropriation that has been formally requested by the YMCA.

In addition, the residents of District 2 have increased concerns about the infrastructure that is currently in place to protect them during weather events. The events of Tropical Storm Eta in 2020 were a wakeup call for us as a city. Residents are aware of and grateful for the numerous improvements that we have done in the area since this event, however they are concerned about the future. It is their request that if there are upgrades that need to be addressed as it relates to the pumping system, public seawalls, backflow prevention or any other findings that these improvements become a top priority. The long-term sustainability and resiliency of the district depends on it!

Next, I would like to focus on the human capital of our city workforce. We are blessed to have over 3,500 city employees who come to work every day through pandemics, environmental disasters, and other events that have not only compromised their own health and mental wellbeing, but that of their loved ones. There is no amount of money that could ever truly thank them for what they do every day, especially over these last two years, but I do believe there are tangible ways that we can show them how much we value them.

#### St. Petersburg Police Department

As we enter the second year of the CALL program, I believe it is critically important that we properly fund the program in the coming years and follow through with all promises made when the program was first announced in the summer of 2020. It is my opinion that we need to closely monitor the progress of the program, along with the growth of our city and plan accordingly. We must look to the future and work toward a goal of a sworn strength of 600 officers. While this is a lofty goal, it is attainable only if we are willing to plan now to achieve it. I also have concerns about retaining the officers we currently have in a world of increasing pressure on police departments. We must recruit, retain, and train the best and brightest who truly understand the immense responsibility that comes with wearing a badge. Public safety is critically important, and the morale of the department will result in better outcomes within the community. Providing them with the monetary support they need is critical to these outcomes.

#### St. Petersburg Fire and Rescue

St. Pete Fire and Rescue has long list of requests for investment into facilities and equipment.

I will begin with the needs of Station 13, which is the busiest in the city and located in a critical area of my district. E13 is the first unit to respond to all calls in Station 13's territory, however their territory is large, has many large apartment complexes, and includes both the Howard Frankland and Gandy bridges. E13 is consistently working on long calls and requires Station 14 and Station 7 to cover their territory when another call comes in. This places additional workload on the bordering stations, increases response times, and leaves a large part of the City unprotected by their first due fire station.

For example, all it takes is a vehicle crash on the Howard Frankland bridge (responding)

units would be E13, T13, and E14) and a medical call in Station 13's territory (ME7 or R7 would respond depending on the time of day) to leave the City without an available fire engine or ladder truck north of 30th Avenue North. With R13 in service, E7 would still be available to cover the north end of the City when a vehicle crash on the Howard Frankland and another medical call in Station 13's territory happens (and it happens often). If the County covered all 8 positions, the cost would be about \$650,000. However, if the cost would be split, we would need to budget approximately \$275,000 for the City and \$375,000 for the County.

In addition, outstanding needs in summary are as follows:

- 1. A permanent location for Station 2 to address the needs of the West Side.
- 2. Truck 9 to be placed back in service which will require 13 personnel and a new ladder truck.
- 3. Medic Units ME1, ME3, ME7 require an additional 10 personnel to complete the 25 positions needed for full staffing.
- 4. Engine 1 should be placed back in service and the hiring of the 13 personnel required to handle the explosive growth and addition of new high-rise development in the downtown core.
- 5. Heavy rescue 4 placed into service
- 6. The hiring of District Chief 6 to take the span of control strain off the other two existing District Chiefs.

#### St. Petersburg Employee Benefits

I have grown increasingly concerned about negotiations with our unions and the contentious nature these negotiations often take on. I feel it is critical as mentioned above that our employees feel appreciated and rewarded for their work. I understand that it is not Council's role to negotiate with our employee unions, but I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to point out what I see is a critical need for a fresh look at how we approach bargaining. I would encourage you to take a hard look at the philosophies and negotiation style of the middle management leadership who is charged with bringing agreements forward with these organizations. With a new administration comes an opportunity for new perspectives and I know that you will do what is right for those who commit their lives to this work.

In addition, it is my hope that we can develop and implement an Employee Assisted Housing program that will support and incentivize city employees to become or remain an integral part of our community in their private lives. Many of our employees have verbally expressed interest in the ability to live in St. Petersburg but often lack the means to make that a reality. As home prices and rent remain increasingly out of reach for many, I believe that providing this benefit and opportunity will ultimately help our employees achieve a better quality of life for themselves and their families.

#### Quality of Life, Investment in Youth and Food Insecurity

of life issues and our youth will continue to be an integral part of helping our community move forward. I know that this is a cornerstone of your administration.

I am requesting that we invest in the resources required to properly address food insecurity. There are numerous urban agriculture programs and nonprofits who provide food access across our community and we have just scratched the surface in our support of their efforts. We need to move forward with a strong plan to bring a grocer to Tangerine Plaza and be open to funding the creation of a Community Food Forest which would support a vibrant tree canopy while at the same time feeding and further building relationships within our community.

Over the last two years we have seen crime increase specifically on the south side of St. Petersburg. This is not merely a police issue but one that stems from the generational lack of opportunity that exist for many of our youth. The support and expansion of youth job programs that run year-round, recreational activities, and facilities geared specifically to our youth, investments in early childhood education, and mentoring programs are just a few of the things we should be funding and building robust programing around.

#### Support of Housing and Neighborhood Sustainability

This next set of requests will be somewhat redundant from the last several years, but with this your first budget cycle, I want to memorialize my continued commitment to these issues for the long-term sustainability and resiliency of our neighborhoods and a real funding commitment to our affordable housing efforts. I have a list of specific items that I plan to continue advocating for over the next year. It is my hope, however, that when preparing this year's budget, you will take a serious look at how we can more equitably balance our priorities between our City's economic development department and our neighborhood affairs department. This is visionary work that will take a long-term commitment but also a philosophical shift in focus and balance of priorities.

The work that has been done over the last several years to increase high wage jobs in our region has been nothing short of exemplary however, I believe we are at a tipping point of no return as we are not adequately increasing our affordable and workforce housing stock at a rate that will allow us to keep up with the housing demands of our workforce. Day in and day out, I personally engage with people who are moving out of St Petersburg due to the lack of affordability. It is no surprise to you that I am passionate about residents in all corners of our city being able to find a place in St. Petersburg to call home. Critical housing needs will take a true focus to overcome and on this I request the following:

 On all pieces of City owned land, located anywhere within the city, it is my hope that we will look at housing first as a major component of the redevelopment. Not only to make housing present but to ensure there is a substantial mix of affordable, workforce and market rate housing with opportunity for ownership and not just rental. City owned and acquired land is where we can really make a difference in the availability of housing stock without impeding on the rights of private property owners. As it pertains to the affordable and workforce housing needs, it is critical that we come up with a clear matrix of the percentage of units we expect in each affordability tier we expect and be transparent with this information up front. I believe that the development community needs to understand our priorities and will respond accordingly. 2. Anytime we reach the conclusion of a budget year and we look to allocate surplus funds it is my hope that a generous portion of these funds will be placed in a dedicated and protected housing trust fund. If we are committed to housing our residents, adequate funding for the attainability and sustainability of housing is vital. This commitment would be a major step in the right direction.

Regarding budgeting for affordable housing, the list of needed tools is immense. When we look at affordability in a coastal community, we would be remiss if we didn't discuss how resiliency and sustainability affect the long-term affordability for many of our residents. We also must allocate resources that will assist lower income residents with maintaining their current homes and promote homeownership that will build strong communities into the future. The following are just a few examples that can assist in achieving these goals.

- Creation of a Flood Mitigation and Private Infrastructure Revolving Loan Program to provide resources for lower income property owners who own and live in repetitive loss structures and have the desire to mitigate these homes through elevation or demolition and rebuild. This fund could also be used to allow residents to improve and raise their private sea walls and repair their private lateral sewer lines.
- Continued dedication of resources to reduce the Community Rating System for flood insurance affordability for residents.
- Hire additional staff to support the Floodplain Manager in assisting residents as they mitigate their structures and navigate through the FEMA process for obtaining and facilitating grants funds from the federal government. There has been an incredible uptick in the number of residents who are applying for FEMA grants with the city's assistance. In this current cycle the number of grant applicants have quadrupled and if all are accepted, it will be over \$4,000,000 of funding that our Floodplain Manager will have to facilitate. This is a critical service that we provide to our most environmentally vulnerable communities and we must support these efforts as a city.
- Increase funding for the Rebates for Rehabs program not only through the Southside CRA but the exploration of expanding this program city wide.
- Increase funding for the N-Team
- Support the continued exploration and implementation of a Co-Op Housing, Business and Grocery incentive and education program.
- Increase funding for financial literacy programs with a goal of increasing homeownership

I appreciate the opportunity to share with you my thoughts, concerns, and vision for our budget. I look forward to many months of discussion about where ultimately our resources will be dedicated and am here to answer any questions you may have. Brandi Gabbard City Council Vice-Chair

**Cc:** Deputy Mayor Chief of Policy Stephanie Owens Interim City Administrator Tom Greene Assistant City Administrator Special Initiatives Robert Gerdes Budget Director Elizabeth Makofske Council Chair Gina Driscoll City Council City Attorney Jacqueline Kovilaritch

## MEMORANDUM Office of City Council



TO: Mayor Kenneth T. Welch

FROM: Council Member Ed Montanari

SUBJECT: 2023 Budget Priorities

DATE: February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

#### Mayor Welch,

Every year before our budget priorities workshop, I speak with key stakeholders as I formulate my goals for the next fiscal year. As we go through the process of developing the FY2023 budget, I look forward to collaborating with you and your administration to ensure this budget reflects the values of all residents of St. Petersburg. My priorities for FY2023 are listed below:

#### **Fiscal Stewardship**

**Millage rate reduction**. Due to the forecast increase in ad valorem of between 7 and 8 percent, I propose a millage rate cut of .200 mills which will bring our rate from 6.550 to 6.350. I estimate that the lower millage rate will reduce the FY23 tax burden by 4.6 – 5.0 million.

Economic stability fund. I propose an investment of \$1 million to the Economic Stability Fund.

#### **Public Safety**

#### St. Petersburg Police Department.

- I would like to ensure that the sworn strength reaches the desired 600, with funding for adequate training and equipment for our officers.
- \$5.9 million for a new K-9 Compound Facility
- \$250,000 for additional storage equipment in the Crimes Storage Room of the Evidentiary Services Unit.
- \$435,000 for Solid-State Storage Devices in the Cyber Crimes Unit.
- \$250,000 in funding for the CAD/RMS System that will be shared with Pinellas County, providing real-time data for law enforcement agencies.

#### St. Petersburg Fire & Rescue.

- Continued funding to build a state-of-the-art Fire Station #2
- Funding for a new Fire Training Facility
- Engine 1 back in service for downtown
- Additional staffing for Medic Units 1, 3, & 7
- Additional staffing for Heavy Rescue 4

#### Leisure Service

- Fully fund the renovation of the Obama Library
- Funding renovations for the Williams Park Bandshell
- Funding for renovations/replacement of the Enoch Davis Center
- Funding for renovation/replacement of the Sunshine Center

#### **Transportation & Parking Management**

There are several areas in which funding needs to be expanded for capital improvements from last fiscal year's budget:

- Sidewalk Expansion Program, currently at \$250,000, recommend \$350,000
- Sidewalks-Neighborhood & ADA Ramps, currently at \$250,000, recommend \$350,000
- City Trails, currently at \$200,000, recommend \$300,000
- \$500,000 for traffic signal mast arms
- \$150,000 for traffic signal controllers

#### Infrastructure & Capital Improvement Fund

I recommend an increase in the CIP Street and Roadway Improvements budget by \$1 million bringing it to a total of \$5.25 million. This would increase roadway paving by 10 lane miles in a year.

#### **Business**

It is essential to support our businesses here in St. Petersburg. Therefore, I would like to continue to fund and support the Grow Smarter Economic and Workforce Development Incentives Program and Economic Development Corporation.

#### Neighborhoods

- Funding for a neighborhood character study
- Funding for the development of neighborhood plans
- Adequate funding for lake maintenance
- \$800,000 to plant an additional 1,000 trees

#### **Neighborhood Flooding**

Additional funding to update city infrastructure in flood prone neighborhoods, including Shore Acres and Snell Isle.

- Appian Way Drainage Project
- Connecticut Ave and Vicinity Flood Project

Although the process will lead us well into the year, we must look to balance the past, present, and future needs for our city. I know that you will be as dedicated as I am to maintaining fiscal responsibility, while providing excellence for those we serve. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me to discuss any of the above-mentioned priorities.

Ed Montanari Council Member, District 3

**Cc:** Deputy Mayor Stephanie Owens City Administrator Tom Greene Budget Director Elizabeth Makofske City Council City Attorney Jacqueline Kovilaritch

## **MEMORANDUM** Office of City Council



TO: Mayor Ken Welch
FROM: Council Member Lisset Hanewicz
SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Priorities
DATE: February 2, 2022

Mayor Welch,

Thank you for joining us at the Committee of the Whole meeting to share your thoughts on building a budget that reflects our City's values. While my colleagues and I may have different priorities based on our council districts, there are notable priorities that we all share, including affordable housing, public safety, environmental stewardship, and safer streets for our residents. I am confident these priorities can be elevated and achieved through collaboration with your Administration. This memorandum memorializes the priorities I announced and expands on specific goals and rationale.

#### 1. Safety and Road Improvements

#### a. Complete Streets

- i. **Goal:** \$825,000 for Complete Streets in FY 23 with \$475,000 from CIP funding and \$350,000 from impact fees.
- ii. **Appropriation History:** Total appropriation of \$800,000 in FY 22 with \$450,000 from CIP funding and \$350,000 from impact fees.
- iii. **Budget Locations:** Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027) and Multimodal Impact Fees (3071).
- iv. **Rationale:** Complete Streets Implementation is vital to our community; a safe, efficient, and inclusive transportation network is inextricably linked to the quality of life and upward mobility. Deaths of pedestrians and bicyclists in Pinellas totaled 85 during 2021 compared to 49 in 2020, which is unacceptable. Setting records for bicycle and pedestrian deaths is not what Pinellas County should be known for.

#### b. Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon Improvements

- i. Goal: \$150,000 in FY 23.
- ii. Appropriation History: \$150,000 in FY 22.
- iii. Budget Location: General Capital Improvement Fund (3001).
- iv. **Rationale:** Pedestrian and bicycle safety is paramount, especially in light of recent trends, and this budget priority accounts for the replacement of approximately 26 RFBs in St. Petersburg and their associated maintenance costs.

- c. Traffic Safety Program
  - i. Goal: \$200,000 in FY 23.
  - ii. Appropriation History: \$200,000 in FY 22.
  - iii. Budget Location: Multimodal Impact Fees (3071).
  - iv. **Rationale:** This program supports and funds improvements identified by a citywide review and analysis of various counter-measures to address traffic safety concerns. Priority locations have been identified within neighborhood traffic planning, bicycle and pedestrian planning, and safety planning activities of the City.
- d. Sidewalks (Reconstruction)
  - i. **Goal:** \$800,000 in FY 23 achieved through a mixture of General and Citywide Capital Improvement funding.
  - ii. **Appropriation History:** \$800,000 in FY 22 with \$400,000 from General Capital Funding and \$400,000 from CIP funding.
  - iii. **Budget Locations:** Appropriations for sidewalk reconstruction are generally shared between the General Capital Improvement Fund (3001) and the Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027).
  - iv. **Rationale:** This funding provides for the reconstruction of approximately 6,000 linear feet of sidewalks identified as noncompliant with current standards.
- e. Sidewalks (Expansion)
  - i. **Goal:** \$350,000 in FY 23 achieved through a mixture of CIP and Multimodal Impact Fees.
  - ii. **Appropriation History:** \$350,000 in FY 22 with \$250,000 from the Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027) and \$100,000 from the Multimodal Impact Fees (3071).
  - iii. **Budget Locations:** Appropriations for sidewalk expansions (new sidewalks) generally come from the Multimodal Impact Fees (3071) and the Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027).
  - iv. **Rationale:** This funding provides for the design and construction of *new* sidewalks in the City.

#### f. Street & Road Improvements - Paving

- i. Goal: \$4.5 million in FY 23.
- ii. Appropriation History: \$4.25 million in FY 22.
- iii. Budget Location: Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027)
- iv. **Rationale:** This funding is for reconstructing segments of paved roadways to complete at least 110 lane miles per year.

#### 2. Public Safety

- a. St. Petersburg Fire Rescue (SPFR)
  - i. Goals:
    - 1. Support converting Medic Units 1, 3, and 7 to 24-hour units with dual certified firefighters.
    - 2. Support for a new unit for Station 13, the busiest engine in the City due to its large service area.
    - 3. Support placing Truck 9 back in service to meet service demands on the City's westside.
    - 4. Support placing Engine 1 back in service to provide additional coverage to the Downtown area.

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- 5. Support for adequate staff of the Heavy Rescue 4 (SPFR's technical rescue unit) to ensure better response times for the City's only extrication unit.
- 6. Activate District Chief 6 to achieve three District Chiefs total to provide better response time and area coverage for major incidents.
- ii. **Appropriation History:** FY22 appropriation of \$38.477 million from the General Fund, \$18.191 million from the Emergency Medical Services Fund, and \$1.09 million from Public Safety Capital Improvement.
- iii. **Budget Location:** General Fund (0001), Emergency Medical Services Fund (1009), and Public Safety Capital Improvement Fund (3025).
- iv. **Rationale:** Many of the goals mentioned above reflect the need to increase SPFR's level of service and response times due to the City's growth.
- b. St. Petersburg Police Department (SPPD)
  - i. **Goal:** SPPD's authorized strength of sworn personnel (600) is achieved and SPPD has the appropriate resources for traffic enforcement given the record pedestrian and bicycle deaths.
  - ii. Appropriation History: \$124.422 million in FY 22.
  - iii. Budget Location: General Fund (0001).
  - iv. **Rationale:** Increased funding for personnel and strategically appropriate resources to address the pedestrian and roadway safety issue mentioned above.

#### 3. Public Works

- a. Stormwater and Infrastructure Improvements
  - i. Old Northeast Stormwater Drainage Improvements
    - 1. Goal: \$5,000,000 in FY 23.
    - 2. Appropriation History: \$300,000 in FY 22 (For survey and design phase).
    - 3. Budget Location: Stormwater Drainage Capital Projects Fund (4013)
    - 4. **Rationale:** To maximize efficiency and minimize cost, stormwater drainage and roadway improvements will occur with the scheduled underground utility replacements in Old Northeast. This is a crucial project to an area of the City inundated with severe street flooding.

#### b. Water Quality and Lake Management

- i. Crescent Lake Water Quality Improvements
  - 1. Goal: \$100,000 in FY 23.
  - 2. Appropriation History: \$75,000 in FY 22.
  - 3. Budget Location: Stormwater Drainage Capital Projects Fund (4013).
  - 4. **Rationale:** To support the ongoing maintenance associated with the Crescent Lake Management Plan.
- ii. Lake Management
  - 1. **Goals:** Support additional resources in the operating budget for the new Lake Manager position (Stormwater Operations Manager) and the upcoming Lake Management Plan.
  - 2. **Appropriation History:** N/A (New position was not newly allocated but reassigned within Stormwater).
  - 3. **Budget Location:** Stormwater Administration Division, General Fund (0001).
  - 4. **Rationale:** To Address the extreme environmental stress on our lakes from a combination of sources, including but not limited to

contaminants, invasive species, and nutrient loading. Promote the City's environmental stewardship of its lakes, stormwater infrastructure, and water quality.

#### c. Water Resources

- i. Water Resources Operating Fund
  - 1. Goal: Maintain funding level similar to FY23.
  - 2. Appropriation History: \$172 million in FY 22.
  - 3. Budget Location: Water Resources Operating Fund (4001).
  - 4. **Rationale:** Maintain funding levels suitable to increasing the capacity and reliability of the City's water, wastewater, and reclaimed water systems. Continue to follow the recommendations of the Master Plan.

#### ii. Water Resources Capital Improvement Fund

- 1. Goal: Maintain funding level similar to FY23.
- 2. Appropriation History: \$52.9 million in FY 22.
- 3. Budget Location: Water Resources Capital Projects Fund (4003).
- 4. Rationale: Maintain funding and transfers from Water Resources Operating to Capital as part of the overall plan to achieve a 50/50 cash to debt funding ratio.

#### 4. Affordable Housing

- a. Funding Mechanisms for Affordable and Workforce Housing
  - i. Housing Capital Improvements Fund
    - 1. Goal: \$750,000 in FY 23.
    - 2. Appropriation History: \$600,000 in FY 22.
    - 3. Budget Location: Housing Capital Improvements Fund (3000).
    - 4. **Rationale:** This funding source aids with affordable and workforce housing programs, specifically when funding is needed to supplement State or Federal funding or is required as the primary funding source.

#### ii. Affordable Housing Land Acquisitions

- 1. Goal: \$1.5 million in FY 23.
- 2. Appropriation History: \$1.25 million in FY 22.
- 3. Budget Location: Citywide Infrastructure Capital Improvement Fund (3027).
- 4. **Rationale:** This funding source provides land acquisition or an agreement with a special district that owns the land for affordable residential housing (City Council Res. 2018-385).

#### iii. Rehab and Assistance

- 1. **Goal:** Continue to support South St. Petersburg CRA's housing rehabilitation programs, housing assistance, and homebuyer's assistance programs.
- 2. Appropriation History: \$20.6 million in FY 22.
- 3. Budget Location: South St. Petersburg Redevelopment District (1104).
- 4. **Rationale:** The South St. Petersburg Redevelopment District provides important funding for housing and neighborhood revitalization projects.

#### iv. Planning and Development (No specific funding source)

- 1. **Goal:** Continue to increase the supply of accessory dwelling units and market-rate, multi-family housing units through new and expanded zoning categories permitting higher densities where appropriate.
- 2. **Goal:** Continue to leverage "pay-in-lieu" options for workforce housing funding sources.

#### 5. Leisure Services

- a. District 4 Specific Project
  - i. Crescent Lake Tennis Court Rebuild Project
    - 1. Goal: \$300,000 for FY 23.
    - 2. Budget Location: General Capital Improvement Fund (3001).
    - 3. **Rationale:** The tennis courts at Crescent Lake Park require a complete rebuild because of subsurface erosion.
- b. Urban Canopy (No specific funding source)
  - 1. **Goal**: Consider returning to having a city tree program planting trees throughout the City and providing trees to residents or neighborhood associations through grant programs to increase our urban tree canopy.

#### 6. Economic Stability

- a. Economic Stability Fund
  - i. Goal: \$750,000 transfer in FY 23.
  - ii. Appropriation History: \$500,000 in FY 22 with an additional \$250,000 added.
  - iii. Budget Location: Economic Stability Fund (0008).
  - iv. **Rationale:** The Economic Stability Fund's newly embraced role as an interfund loan source to aid in the City's affordable housing goals only highlights the need to adequately replenish the stability fund.

I look forward to working with you and your Administration to implement these and other shared priorities. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss these priorities in greater detail.

Sincerely,

Lisset Hanswicz

Lisset Hanewicz Council Member, District 4

cc: Stephanie Owens, Deputy Mayor & Chief of Policy Tom Greene, Interim City Administrator Liz Makofske, Budget & Management Director Jayne Ohlman, Senior Legislative Aide Cindy Sheppard, City Council Administrative Officer

## **MEMORANDUM** Office of City Council



TO:	Mayor Kenneth T. Welch
FROM:	City Council Chair Gina Driscoll
SUBJECT:	FY23 Budget Priorities
DATE:	January 31, 2022

#### Mayor Welch,

Following City Council's Committee of the Whole meeting on January 27, 2022, I respectfully submit this review of the Fiscal Year 2023 budget priorities I presented for consideration. I look forward to working with you along with my colleagues and City Staff to develop a budget that reflects our city's values and prepares St. Petersburg for a sustainable and vibrant future.

My budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2023 are as follows:

#### St. Petersburg Fire Rescue

- 1. Construction funding for Station #2
- 2. Renovation of fire training compound: this can be combined with the K-9 facility for PD.
- 3. Medic Units ME1, ME3 and ME7 need to be staffed and increased from 12 hours to 24 hours.
- 4. Truck 9 needs to be placed back in service on west side (staffing issue)
- 5. Engine 1 needs to be placed back in service downtown; this is needed due to the increase in highrises in the downtown core.
- 6. Heavy Rescue 4 needs to be fully staffed. This is the City's only extrication unit, and it is used for all vehicle extrications and tech rescue incidents. It's currently in service but does not have dedicated staffing.
- 7. District Chief 6 needs to be placed in service on the west side. The other two District Chiefs are downtown and Fossil Park, an unacceptable distance from the west side.
- 8. Fully fund the Fire Explorer Program. This is a valuable early recruiting program that has led many participants to pursue careers within the Fire Department. It currently has no dedicated funding source. Funding could be provided through Education and Youth Programs, which should be paying for the programs that have demonstrated strong results. An evaluation of the effectiveness of current youth programs may result in funding becoming available for this successful program.
- 9. Long-term planning: With the Tropicana Field site redevelopment, the City should consider building a new Master Fire Station and Administration Building on the site to replace the current aging facilities, and locating a new additional station in the downtown core.

#### St. Petersburg Police Department

- 1. Budget appropriately to meet the City's goal for full sworn strength.
- 2. New K-9 facility in collaboration with SPFR at the training compound.
- 3. Continue contract with Dr. Benson for mental health services for PD and SPFR, and expand that support to include services for family members or other members of the household if they are not currently eligible. There are times when a firefighter or police officer may have issues that stem

from a situation at home, and given the stressful nature of their work, which can be difficult for families, the services should extend to the home in order to fully support our first responders.

4. Evaluate Police Explorer Program to ensure adequate funding.

#### Office of Sustainability & Resilience

- 1. Funding for implementation of the Integrated Sustainability Action Plan (ISAP), and this extends beyond the OSR office since every department has ties to ISAP. So, the funds may not be seen in the OSR budget, but the priorities should be on implementation of those ISAP initiatives in all departments.
- 2. Additional seed funding for Revolving Energy Investment Fund (REIF).
- 3. Fund new residential program: Energy efficiency residential grant program to close the financing gap for residents who don't qualify for programs like SELF but still need assistance.
- 4. Fund new business program: An incentive program for sustainable business practices (zero-waste, energy efficiency measures, etc.)
- 5. Considering the City's changes to Coastal High Hazard Area requirements, we need investments in community resilience initiatives such as neighborhood resilience hubs, coastal restoration, green infrastructure, and the hardening of utility infrastructure.
- 6. Increase investments in EV infrastructure to support our Green Fleets policies.
- 7. Trees, trees and more trees!

#### Public Works

- 1. Non-utility infrastructure projects, such as bridges, roads, sidewalks, and seawalls do not have a dedicated funding source. In the meantime, identify and fund the most critical needs.
- 2. Increase budget for stormwater in order to avoid major rate increases.
- 3. Pave the remaining unpaved roads based on neighborhood requests.
- 4. New program: Rebate or incentive program for private lateral repairs and replacement.

#### Transportation and Parking

- 1. Increase funding for bus shelter match program with PSTA.
- 2. Accelerate Complete Streets plan where feasible in terms of scheduling projects, etc. This includes installing new crosswalks on a more aggressive timeline. Given recent reports on pedestrian fatalities in Pinellas County, St. Petersburg should consider a Vision Zero commitment and prioritize the projects that help us achieve that.
- 3. Screening of City-owned downtown parking garages that cause light pollution for neighboring residential buildings; the City requires garage screening with new private construction now, and should walk the talk by screening our own parking structures.

#### Leisure Services

- 1. Facility repairs and maintenance investments are critically needed for:
  - a. Williams Park
  - b. Obama Main Library
  - c. Enoch Davis Center
  - d. Sunshine Center
- 2. Vinoy Park: Engage a consultant to help create a sustainable and cost-effective plan to quickly repair the park after events.
- 3. Parks are more valued than ever, and they need to be properly staffed and cared for.
  - a. Increase staffing
  - b. Contract an additional \$5K with Keep Pinellas Beautiful to assist with litter management and beautification projects specifically in our parks

Neighborhood Affairs

- 1. Updating neighborhood plans and launch the DIY process that the Community Services Department developed but has not implemented.
- 2. Increase affordable housing fund. Additionally, I support Vice Chair Gabbard's request for employee housing assistance.
- 3. Nutrition security: Increase support for food banks, Meals on Wheels, and meal programs for children; implement healthy food access plan that Healthy St. Pete committed to when City Council passed the 2021 resolution declaring food a human right in the City of St. Petersburg.
- 4. Utility assistance: Increase funding enough to expand eligibility since more residents are struggling to pay for basic needs due to inflation and rising housing costs.
- 5. Increase grant limits for Neighborhood Partnership Grants to accommodate larger projects and cover rising costs.

#### Economic and Workforce Development

- 1. Implementation of disparity study action plan to include a second Greenhouse located in South St. Pete to bring services into the community and serve as a brick-and-mortar resource.
- 2. Allocate funding for Digital Inclusion St. Pete if not funded through ARPA. The goal is to ensure that every person in St. Petersburg has Internet access and equipment.
- 3. Small business assistance through the Main Streets programs. Funds would be allocated directly to the program administrators for projects and programs that benefit all affiliated businesses.

#### Education and Youth Programs

- 1. Substantial funding for children's reading programs and the Phyllis Wheatley Rise to Read Campaign, which helps to bring a variety of reading programs together for real results.
- 2. Funding for repairs and upgrades to the Science Center.

#### <u>Miscellaneous</u>

- 1. MLK Parade needs more funding to fill a recurring gap.
- 2. The MSC and Municipal Marina projects will continue to evolve this year. Fund what is needed to move both of those projects forward.

I look forward to discussing these items with you in more detail as we continue the budget process. Thank you for taking my budget priorities into consideration as we work together to serve our great city.

Best regards,

Jina Driscoll

Gina L. Driscoll



ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL

January 27, 2022

Mayor Kenneth T Welch,

Thank you for considering City Council's recommendations for the 2023 budget. Below is a list of my top priorities.

- Increased funding for wages for city workers, particularly non-emergency employees
- Increased funding for affordable housing, particularly public housing and rental assistance for hotel and motel residents
- Additional finding for contract enforcement surrounding Responsible Bidders and Apprenticeships
- Funding for staff time in the Office of Sustainability and Resiliency for a variety of programs, particularly for the implementation of a rental property certification system based on strong energy efficiency criteria
- Funding for existing municipal building updates that reduce energy consumption
- Funding to increase our urban canopy
- Funding for incentivizing sustainable business practices, including environmental and living wage considerations
- Funding to develop a plan to incorporate Advanced Wastewater Treatment practices
- Funding for a Community Identification Card Program
- Increased funding for the Community Assistance Life Liaison Program

Sincerely,

Richmond J. Floyd City Council Member, District 8

cc: Deputy Mayor Stephanie Owens Interim City Administrator Tom Greene Assistant City Administrator Robert Gerdes

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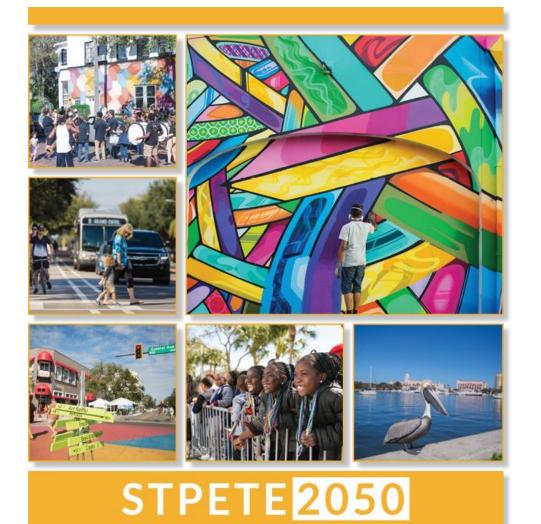
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE PENDING/CONTINUING REFERRALS				February 24th, 2022		
Торіс	Return Date	Date of Referral	Prior Meeting	Referred by	Staff	Notes
StPete 2050 Plan	2/24/22 @ 2:00	12/17/2019	10/22/20 1/28/21 8/26/21	Administration	Abernethy	
Joint City Council/CPPC Meeting	3/31/22 @ 2:00	Annual		Comp Plan	Abernethy Kilborn	
FY '23 CIP Budget	4/21/22 @ 10:00	Annual		Annual	Makofske	
FY '23 Operating Budget	5/3/22 @ 9:00	Annual		Annual	Makofske	
Review of City Council Policy and Procedures Manual	7/28/22 @ 2:00	12/16/2021		Council	Legal	
2023 Calendar setting and selection of Chair and Vice Chair	12/15/22 @ 9:30	Annual		Annual	Sheppard	
Presentation and Discussion on the Downtown Mobility Study in early 2022	TBD	9/30/1931		Administration	Mory	
Stormwater Master Plan	TBD	8/12/2021		Administration	Prayman	
2020 SPHA Annual Reports	TBD	Annual		Annual	SPHA	
SPHA Board Discussion	TBD	Annual		Annual	SPHA	
Disparity Study Including a discussion on a second location for the Greenhouse to be located in South St. Petersburg	TBD	7/8/21	9/23/21	Montanari Driscoll	Eilerman	Plan to come back before City Council for additional input on progress made two additional times (end of 2021 and winter of 2022). Greenhouse second location to be incorporated into recommendations as part of action plan.
A review of South St. Petersburg Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) grants eligibility requirements to identify areas of improvement	TBD	7/15/21		Figgs-Sanders	Smith	

City Initiated Historic Designation	TBD	12/5/2019	10/28/21	Gerdes	Abernethy Kilborn	Relates more specifically to the Detroit Hotel block and next steps. (i.e. Local Historic District, individual buildings along 200-block of Central Avenue, or multiple property listing of several commercial storefronts along Central Avenue east of 31 <sup>st</sup> Street.)
Discussion about possible amendments to the City Code relating to the approval process for changes to local historic landmark districts (16.30.070.2.6) and possibly including a request to amend the matrix items to go before Community Planning & Preservation Commission (CPPC)	TBD	10/7/21	10/28/21	Foster	Abernethy Kilborn	Workshop with CPPC and return to Council
Continued Discussion of the Potentially Eligible List and alternative proposals	TBD	5/16/19	8/8/2019 10/28/21	Foster	Abernethy Kilborn	Workshop with CPPC and return to Council
City Redistricting	TBD	2/10/22	2/17/22	Driscoll	Legal	Mayor to give timeframe for issuing report. Scheduling to coincide with resolution from Council to begin process.





StPete2050: A Vision Plan for St. Petersburg





## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVES 175 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET NORTH

FEBRUARY 24, 2022

### **STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS**:

- 05/19/2021 Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA)
- 05/26/2021 Community Workshop No. 1
- 06/09/2021 Community Workshop No. 2
- 06/16/2021 Chamber's Housing, Land Use, & Development Committee
- 06/21/2021 Historic Old Northeast Neighborhood Association (HONNA)
- 06/23/2021 Community Workshop No. 3
- 06/24/2021 Historic Roser Park Neighborhood Association
- 07/14/2021 Community Workshop No. 4
- 07/27/2021 Downtown Developer's Council
- 09/01/2021 Crescent Lake Neighborhood Association
- 09/14/2021 Chamber Housing, Land Use, & Development Committee
- 09/14/2021 Council of Neighborhood Associations (CONA)

## **STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS (continued)**:

- 09/15/2021 Bicycle and Pedestrian Action Committee
- 09/21/2021 Complete Streets Committee
- 09/28/2021 Downtown Developers Council
- 09/29/2021 Community Workshop No. 5
- 10/04/2021 Campbell Park Neighborhood Association
- 10/13/2021 Community Workshop No. 6 (Repeat No. 5)
- 10/13/2021 St. Petersburg Downtown Neighborhood Association
- 10/14/2021 City Council: Housing Land Use and Transportation
- 11/15/2021 Historic Old Northeast Neighborhood Association (HONNA)
- 12/16/2021 City Council: Housing Land Use and Transportation
- 01/20/2022 Holiday Park Neighborhood Association
- 02/15/2022 C.O.N.A. Leadership Training
- 04/12/2022 Disston Heights Neighborhood Association

# HOUSING, LAND USE, & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE OCTOBER 14, 2021

### **CITY STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- Proposed incremental strategy that:
- Expands use of accessory dwelling units citywide
- Allows up to four units per parcel when abutting a "Future Major Street" (NTM-1)
- Evaluates future expansion

### **HLUT COMMITTEE:**

• Motion to approve:

Up to four (4) units per parcel within ½ mile of all "Future Major Streets"

 Use existing and zoning design standards to conserve neighborhood character.

# HOUSING, LAND USE, & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE DECEMBER 16, 2021

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### **HLUT COMMITTEE:**

- Split Motion (from October 14, 2021): Move forward with ADU amendments NTM at COW in February 2022
- Use existing and zoning design standards to conserve neighborhood character.





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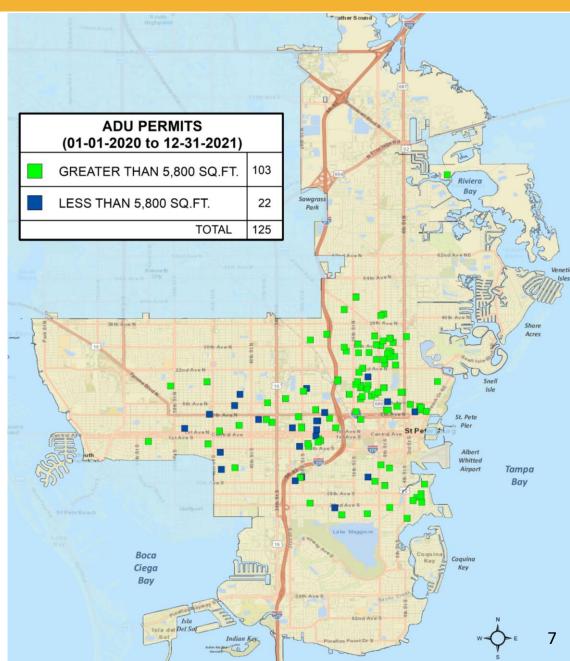




## AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVES: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

# FALL 2019 AMENDMENTS

- LGCP 2019-01 and LDR 2019-03 (Sept. 5, 2019):
  - Exempted ADUs from density calculation
  - Reduced minimum lot size requirement from 5,800 to 4,500 square feet. (This amendment qualified approximately 9,600 new parcels).
  - Eliminated minimum unit size
  - Reduced multi-family min. no. of required parking spaces.
  - Reduce workforce housing parking (10-%)
  - Reduce transit route parking (10-%)
  - Exempt certain design standards for Affordable / Workforce



# **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

- City Code Section 16.20.010
- Miscellaneous General Amendments for all ADUs:
  - **DELETE** requirement for *paved* parking space (gravel allowed).
  - **DELETE** requirement for *unenclosed* parking space.
  - **DELETE** the 50% floor area restriction for 2-story buildings.
  - **ALLOW** ADUs for single-family homes in multi-family districts.



# **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

• City Code Section 16.20.010

#### REDUCE the parking requirement:

Recommend no parking requirement for ADUs:

- If within 1/8-mile of high frequency transit route; AND
- If unit size is equal to or less than 600 square feet; AND
- If unit is located on an alley.

#### **EXISTING PARKING STANDARDS EXPLAINED**

#### Single-Family:

 Traditional and Suburban: "2 spaces up to 3 bedrooms, plus 0.5 for each additional bedroom.

#### ADU:

Traditional and Suburban: "1 space for units with up to 2 bedrooms; plus 0.5 for each additional bedroom."

#### Workforce and Affordable Housing:

- 10% Reduction: At least 50% of units are Certified Affordable/Workforce Housing.
- 5% Reduction: Certified Affordable/Workforce Housing units that are also senior age-restricted.

#### **High Frequency Transit Routes:**

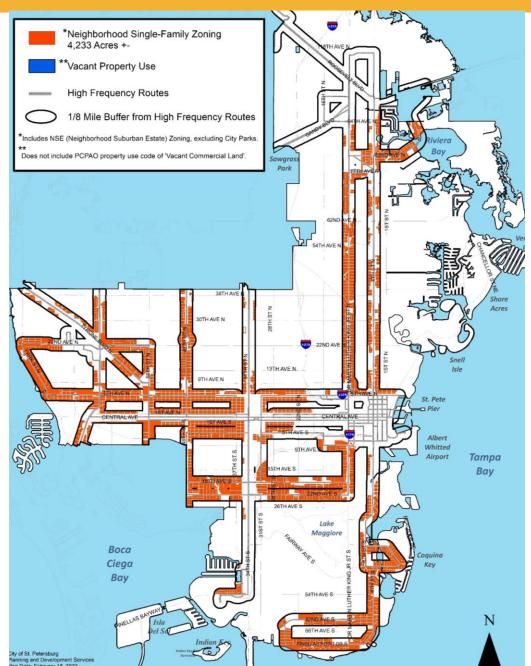
- 10% Reduction: Located within 1/8-mile of a high frequency transit route (weekday peak hour headway times of 35-minutes or better).
- \* Round-up on the 0.5

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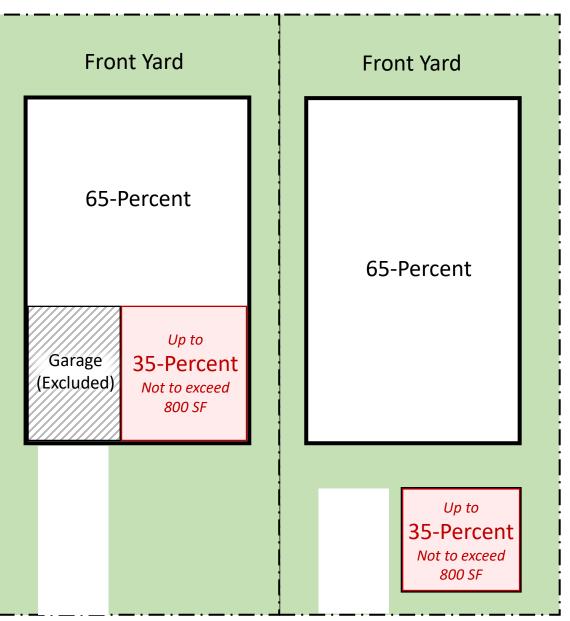
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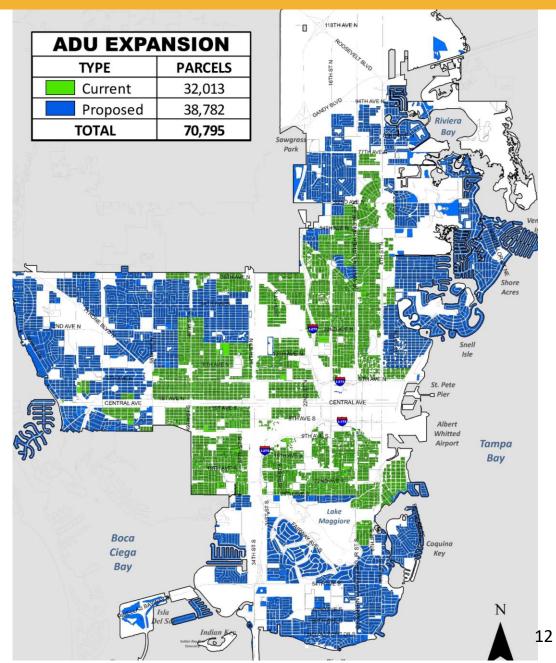
# **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

- City Code Section 16.20.010
- **INCREASE the maximum unit size**:
  - From existing 750-square feet to proposed 800-square feet or 35-percent of the total floor area (excluding garages), whichever is less. Garage square footage shall be excluded.



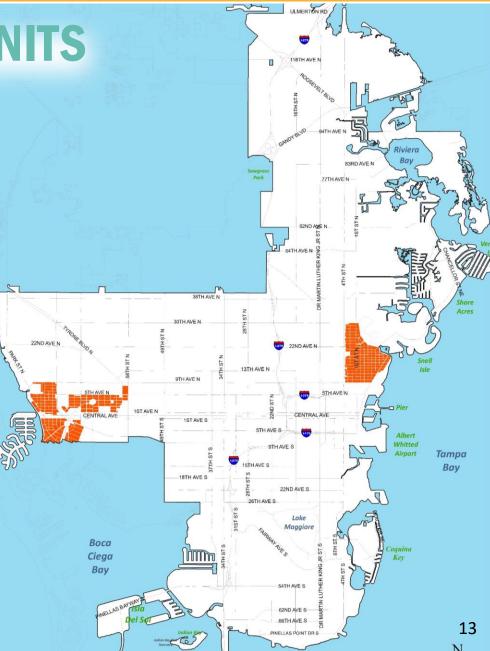
# **PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**

- Amendments by Zoning Category / Location
  - Neighborhood Traditional [Green] Allowed
  - Neighborhood Suburban [Blue] Proposed



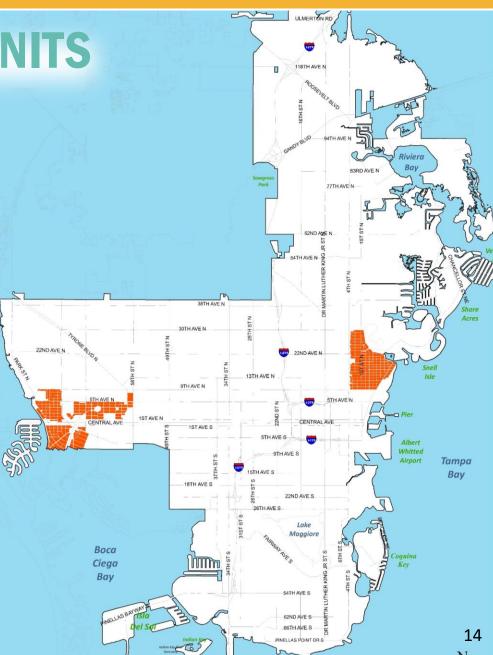
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- Add to NT-3 (Neighborhood Traditional)
  - +/- 3,495 qualifying parcels
  - Currently prohibited in NT-3
  - Many existing ADUs throughout NT-3
  - Impacted neighborhoods:
    - Historic Old Northeast NA
    - Pasadena Bear Creek NA
    - Lake Pasadena NA
    - Historic Park Street NA
    - Azalea Homes CA
    - Pasadena Vista NA (Not Active)
    - Old Pasadena NA (Not Active)



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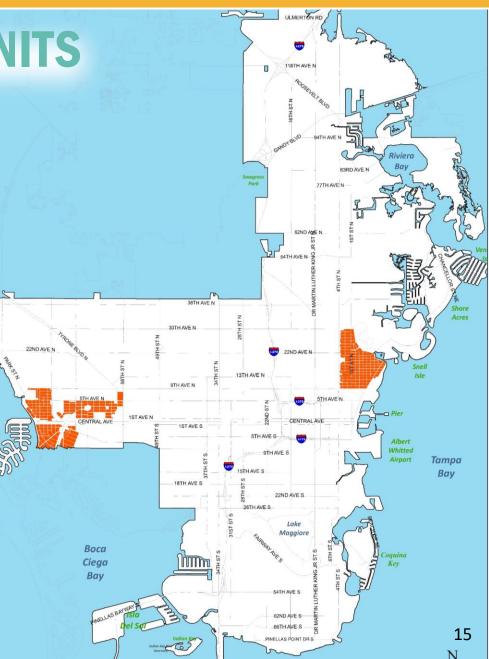
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  - Many existing ADUs throughout NT-3
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    - Historic Old Northeast NA (11/15/2021)
      - Parking congestion
      - Impervious surface ratios



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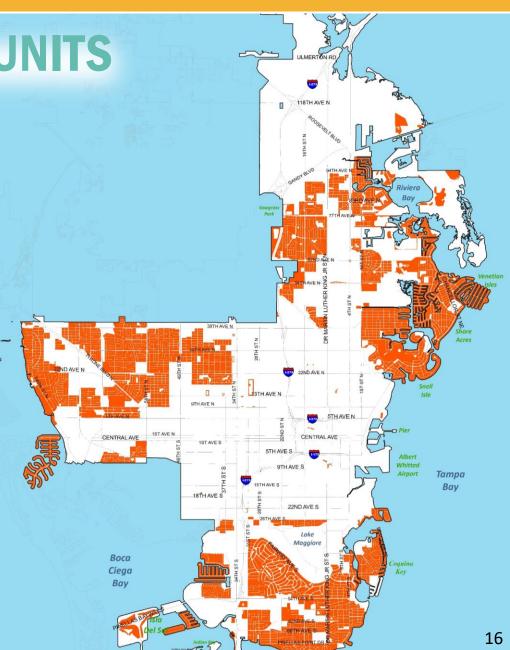
#### Add to NT-3: Amendments

- **NO CHANGES** to the existing building setbacks and height
- **NO CHANGES** to the existing maximum impervious surface ratio
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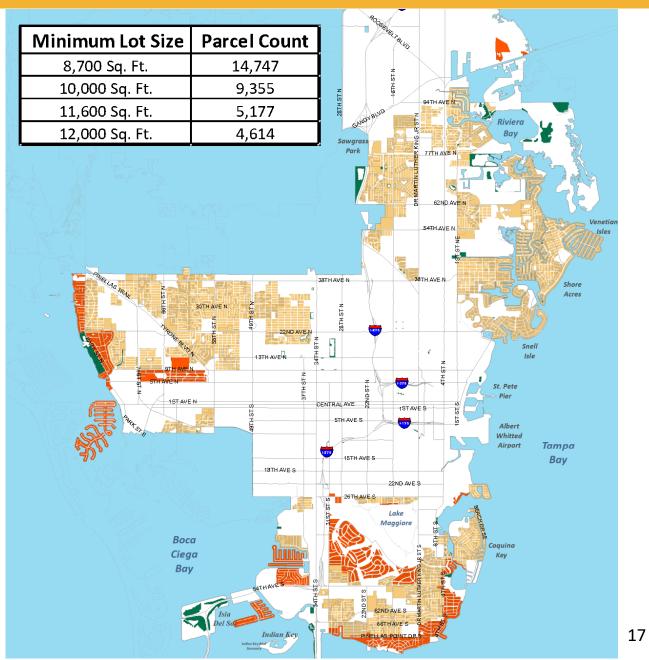
# HOUSING: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS

- Add to NS (Neighborhood Suburban)
  - +/- 35,506 parcels
  - Currently prohibited in most NS categories
  - Allowed in NSE, "Estate"
  - Neighborhood concerns:
    - Holiday Park NA (01/20/2022)
      - Neighborhood character (e.g. 30<sup>th</sup> Ave. No.)
      - Parking congestion
      - Stormwater runoff / impervious surface ratios



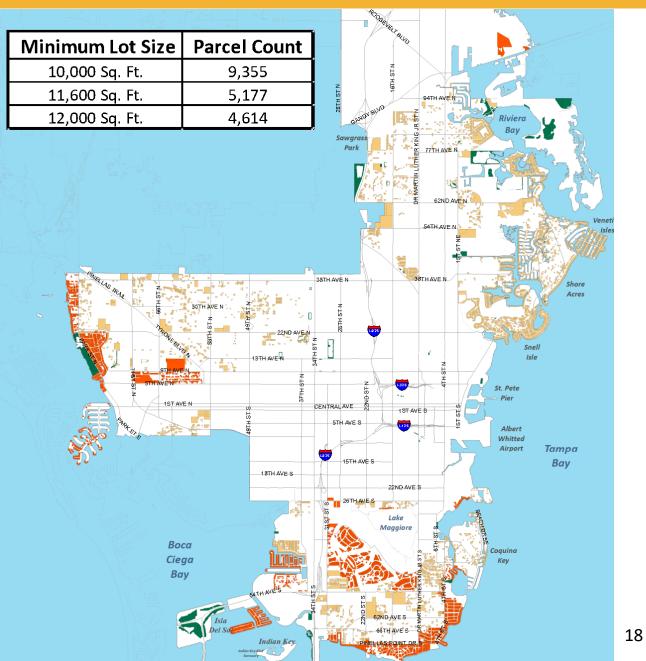
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- Add to NS: Amendments
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  - ESTABLISH minimum lot size:
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    - Option: NS-1 and NS-2 = 10,000
    - Option: NS-1 and NS-2 = 12,000



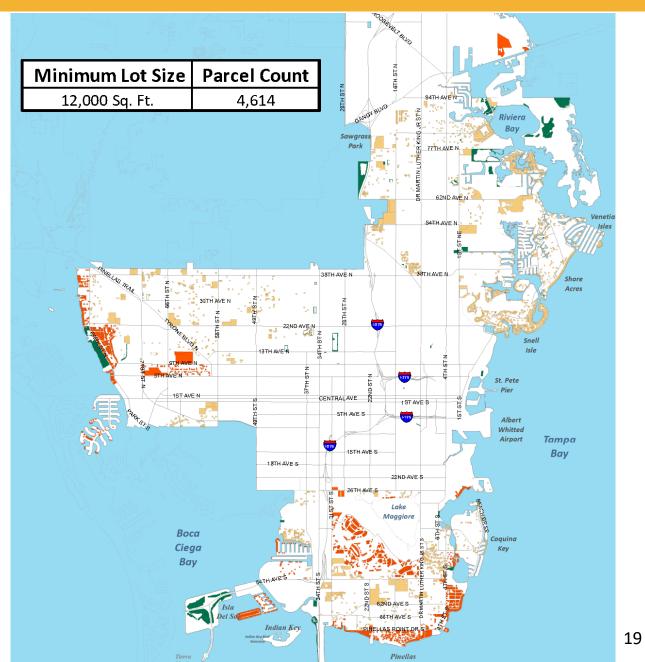
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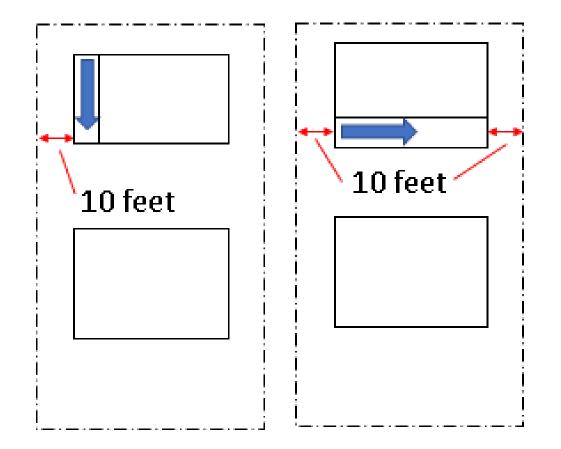
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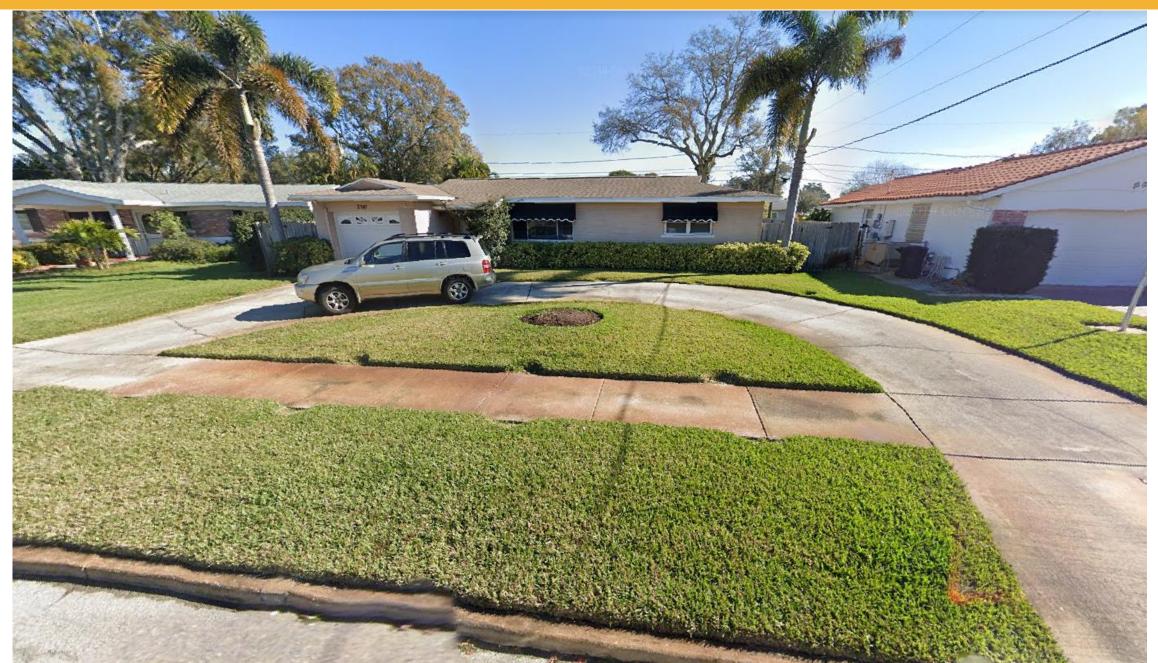
# **HOUSING: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS**

- Add to NS: Amendments
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  - ESTABLISH minimum lot size
  - ESTABLISH minimum building setbacks and height
    - Setbacks. Side setback of 10-feet.
    - *Height*. One-story maximum.
  - **CREATE** design standard regulating location of ADU entry door internal to site or adjacent side street.
  - **NO CHANGES** to the existing maximum impervious surface ratio













Unit No. 2

# **HOUSING: ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS**

#### **Adoption Process – LDR Text Amendment**

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## AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVES: NTM-1 (NEIGHBORHOOD MIXED RES.)

# **'MISSING MIDDLE" BUILDING TYPOLOGIES: HISTORIC**







## **'MISSING MIDDLE" BUILDING TYPOLOGIES: NEW**



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#### Purpose

#### Applicability

#### **Introduction to Districts**

#### **Maximum Development Potential**

- Minimum Lot Width
- Minimum Lot Area
- Maximum Impervious Surface Ratio
- Maximum Building Coverage
- Maximum Residential Density
- Maximum Residential Intensity
- Maximum Nonresidential Intensity

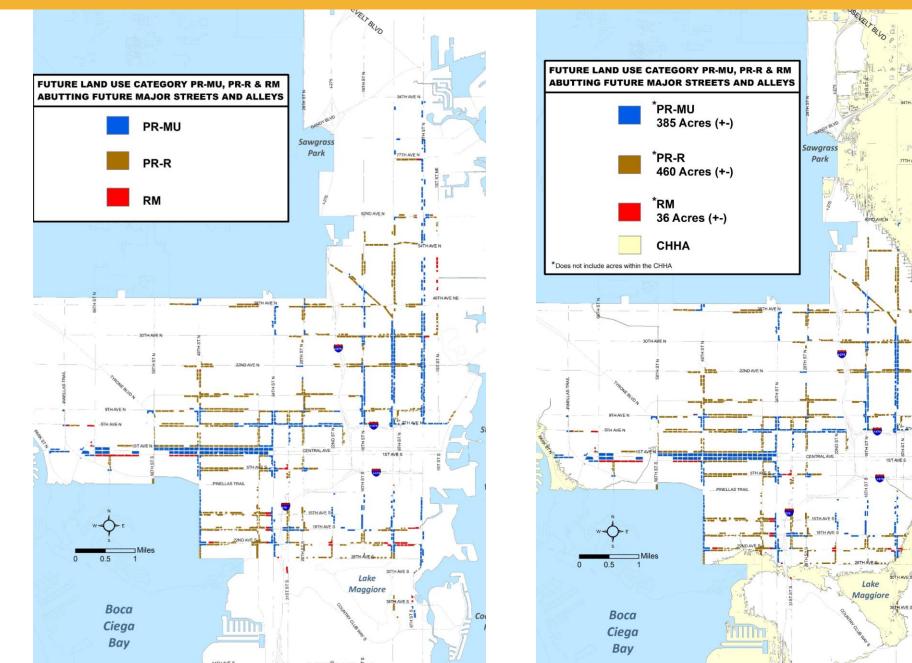
#### Maximum Height / Minimum Setbacks

#### Entrances

#### **Building and Site Design**

- Building Layout and Orientation
- Vehicle Connections and Parking
- Porches and Pedestrian Connections
- Building and Architectural Design Standards
- Building Style and Typology
- Building Form
- Wall Composition and Transparency
- Roofs
- Building Materials
- Accessory Structures and Ancillary Equipment

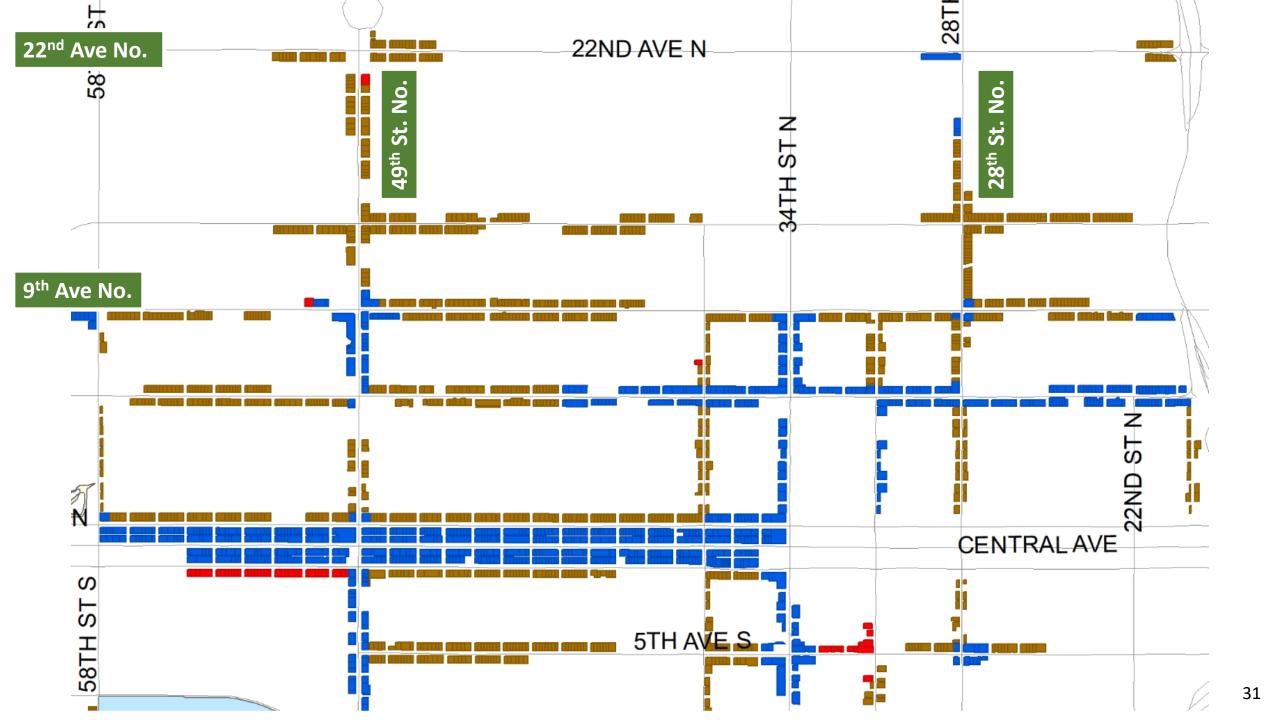
- 1. Adjacent to a public alley
- 2. Fronts adjoining Future MajorStreet(s) or High-FrequencyTransit Routes
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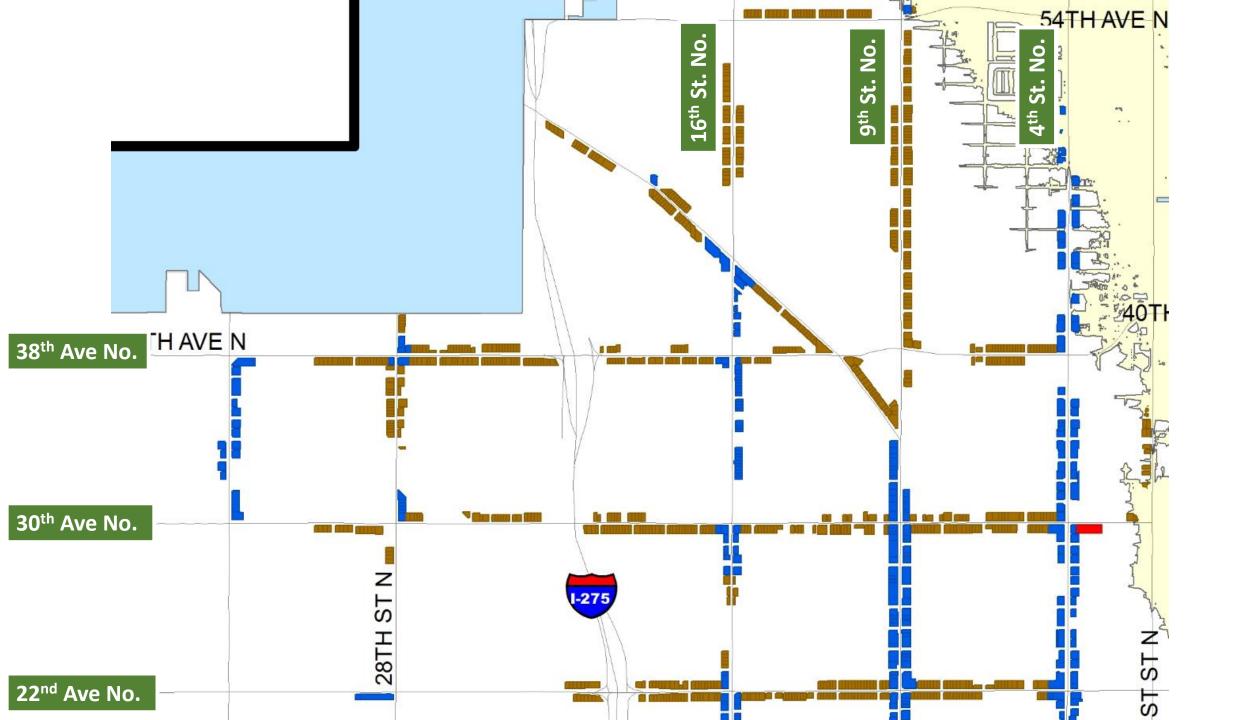


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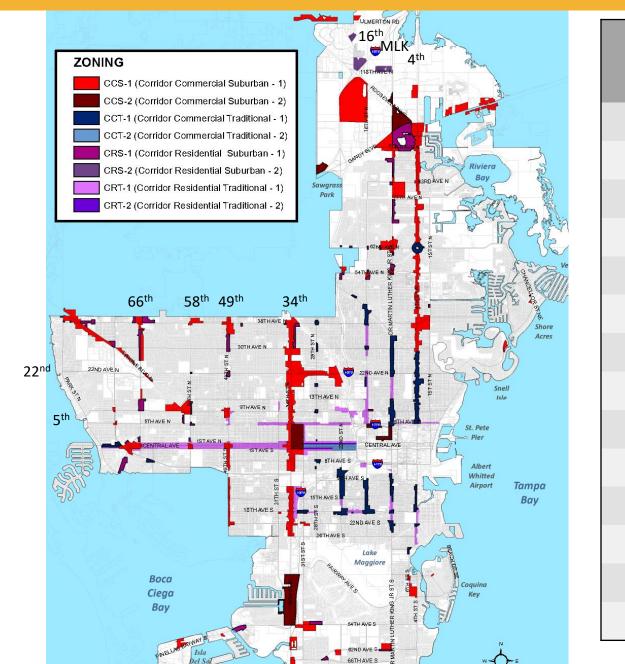


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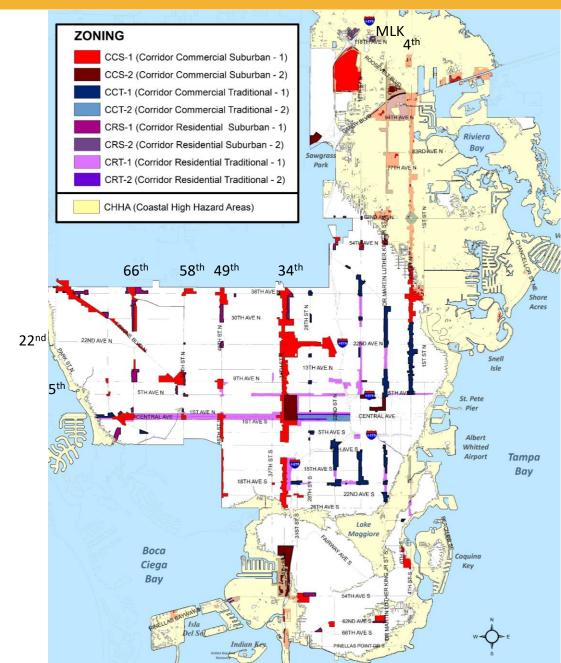




# AFFORDABLE HOUSING INITIATIVES: INCREASE BASE DENSITIES IN CORRIDORS AND CENTERS



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CCS-2	40 + 10 = 50	+ 45-60 upa base
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CCT-1	24 + 8 = 32	+ 30-45 upa base
CCT-1 AC	36 + 8 =44	+ 45-60 upa base
CCT-2	40 + 6 = 46	+ 45-60 upa base
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## PSTA SUNRUNNER RISING DEVELOPMENT STUDY





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## **NEXT STEPS AND QUESTIONS**



#### **1. EXPAND ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS / TEXT AMENDMENTS**

Add to NT-3 and Add to NS-1 and NS-2

Any additional outreach to the public?

Any other comments, questions, concerns?

#### **Combined Application**

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#### 2. APPLY NTM-1 TO OFFICIAL ZONING MAP / MAP AMENDMENTS

#### **Proposed Outreach / Engagement (2-3 months):**

- 1. Direct mail notice to all property owners, neighborhood, and business associations
- 2. Include invitation to an information session (3 or 4 distributed citywide)
- 3. City staff host 3 or 4 information sessions.
- 4. Online survey for invitees?
- 5. Any additional outreach / engagement?



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#### **3. INCREASE DENSITY COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS / TEXT AMENDMENTS**

Coordinate with Forward Pinellas staff for consistency with Countywide Plan Rules. Any additional outreach to the public? Any other comments, questions, concerns?

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# **NEXT STEPS**

#### 4. CONTINUE WORKING ON OTHER RELATED INITIATIVES

Coordinate with Forward Pinellas and the Pinellas County Economic Development Department relating to the *Target Employment and Industrial Lands ("TEIL")* study.

- Industrial lands, generally
- o Industrial lands, Pinellas Trail
- o 22<sup>nd</sup> Street South corridor, outside of 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Station Area Plan.

StPete2050 Comprehensive Plan Updates

**BRT TOD Station Overlays** 

**Downtown Waterfront Master Plan Update** 

**Downtown Streetscape Plan Update** 





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# **STPETE 2050**

# **HIERARCHY OF REVIEWS AND APPROVALS**

- 1. Community Planning and Preservation Commission ("CPPC") Workshop(s)
- 2. Development Review Commission ("DRC") Workshop(s)
- 3. Development Review Commission Public Hearing
- 4. Community Planning and Preservation Commission Public Hearing
- 5. City Council (first public hearing)
- 6. Forward Pinellas Board
- 7. Countywide Planning Authority
- 8. Department of Economic Opportunity
- 9. City Council (second and final public hearing)



#### SunRunner Rising Development Study

City of St. Petersburg Committee of the Whole February 24, 2022

Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) St. Petersburg, Florida



### **SunRunner Rising Development Study**



1. Study Overview

#### 2. TOD Framework

- Place Types
- Station Readiness
- Vision Plans

#### 3. Implementation Strategies

- Policy/Regulatory
- Infrastructure
- Partnership/Funding







#### **SunRunner BRT**

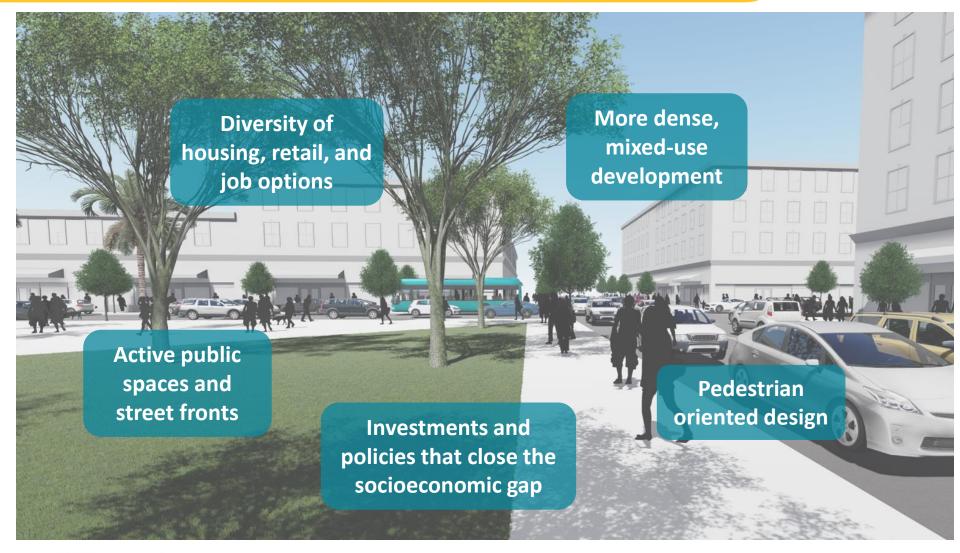






### **Transit Oriented Development**





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### **SunRunner Rising Development Study**

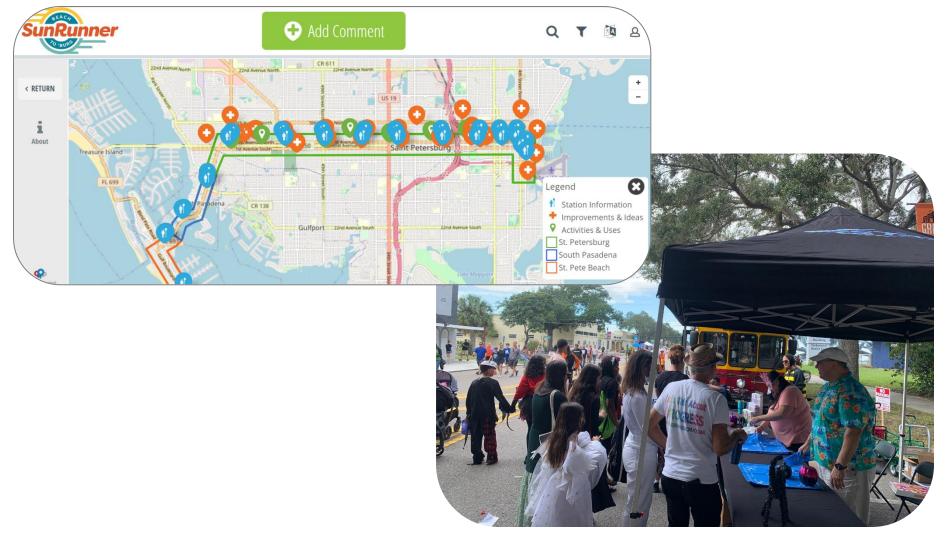






### **Public Outreach**

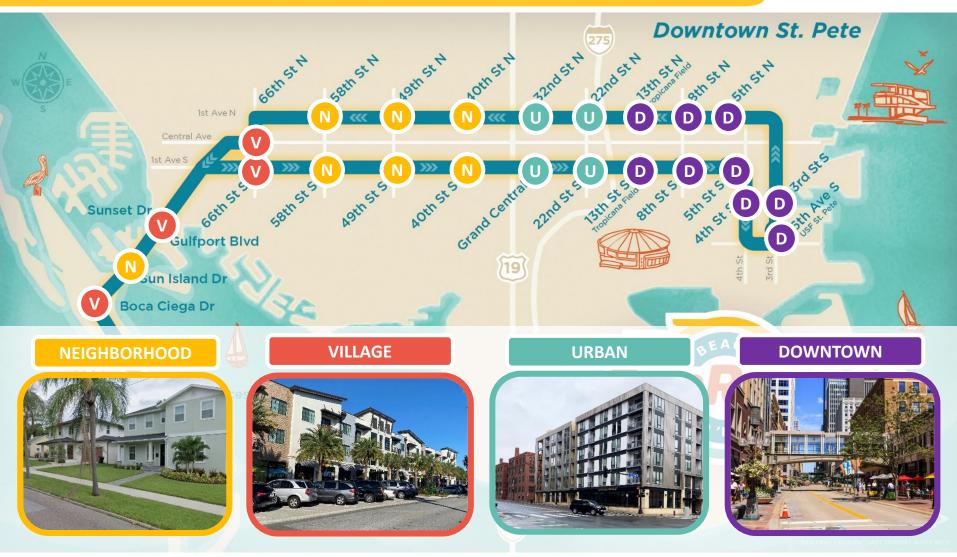






### **TOD Place Types**





### **TOD Place Types & Market Readiness**

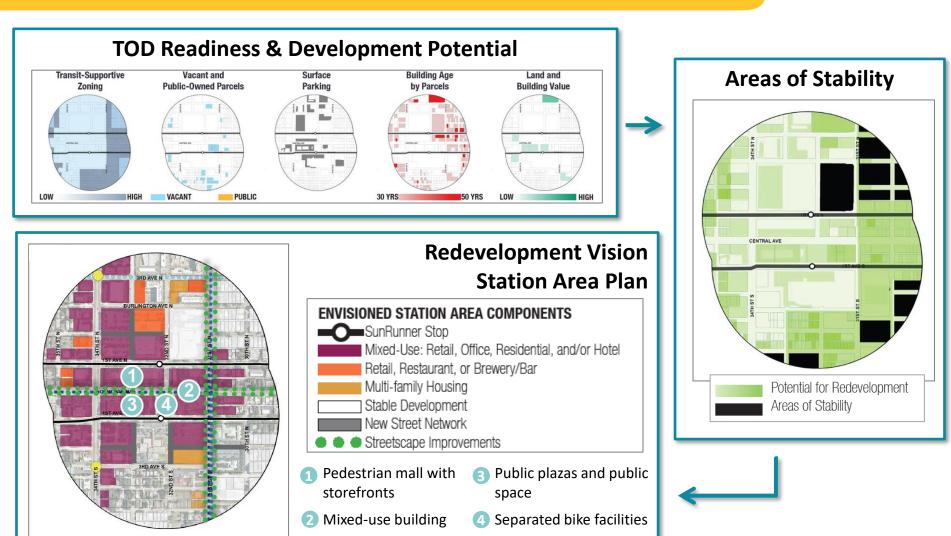






### **TOD Framework**

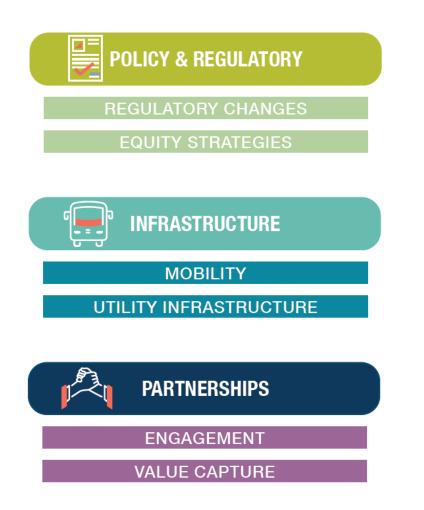






### **Implementation Plan**























#### **Equitable Development Recommendations**

- Range of housing: Include range of income levels, life stages, and needs
  - Density/Intensity bonuses and height increases
  - Consider alternative/customized community-based AMI by station area when requiring affordable and attainable housing
  - **Expedite regulatory administrative process** (build onto existing efforts)
  - Continue to **coordinate with state** on legislation
  - Others: land banking, permanent housing trust fund, community land trusts
- Neighborhood services
  - Explore community benefits agreements for station areas outside of the Trop
  - Establish local based community development and accountability structure
  - Fiscal impacts: conduct a study of fiscal impacts of different land uses







- Create TOD zoning category <u>OR</u> Rezone suburban classifications and apply TOD overlay to commercial category
  - 90 to 120 DU/A (up from 60)
  - Max 8 stories, 3.0 to 4.0 FAR

Bonuses:

- Workforce and attainable housing, greater heights in some areas
- Parking, public realm improvements
- Minimum and maximum affordable unit mixes
- Greater flexibility of commercial uses
- Apply NTM zoning within and adjacent to station area
- Create Major Center









#### **Potential Buildout**

- High level projections based on proposed regulatory changes
- Net increase within ¼ mile station area •

#### RESIDENTIAL

### **RETAIL/OFFICE**



31,000 to 47,000 units 3.6 to 5.9 million sq. ft



30% to 40% of increase 60% to 80% of increase



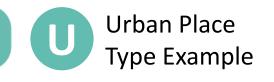




- Mobility improvements to better connect into and around station areas
  - St. Pete Complete Street Plan and Downtown Mobility Plan
  - Dedicated facilities for pedestrians, bicycles, and other non-auto modes
  - Lighting improvements
- Utility services assessment
  - Available permitted capacity of treatment plants
  - Increased demand based on development growth

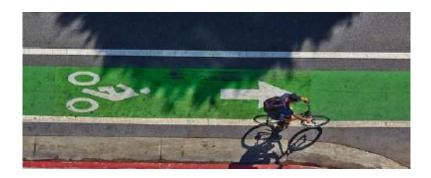








- Wayfinding to SunRunner stops
- Bike and pedestrian connections from neighborhoods
- Shared streets and curbless streets
- Re-grid street network to reduce large block sizes
- Shared parking structures
- Use extra roadway and parking space for parklets

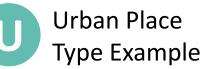




















#### **Funding Strategies**

- Overall objective:
  - Utilize existing and/or incremental new values from capital investment to help fund SunRunner
  - Generate new revenue streams to fund long-term transit operations
- Recommendations based on selected case studies:
  - Dallas, TX
  - Kansas City, MO
  - Portland, OR
  - Fairfax County, VA
  - Arlington, VA
  - Tampa, FL (streetcar)







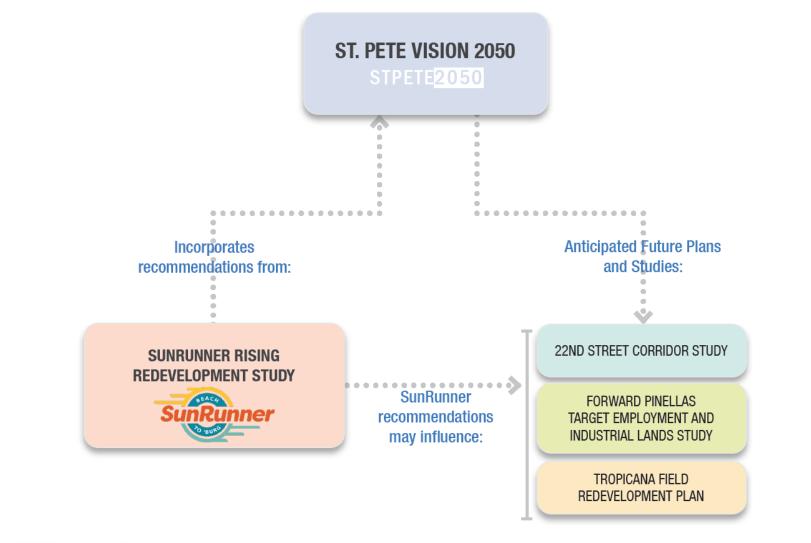
#### **Funding Strategies**

- Examples of sources and strategies from selected case studies
  - Mobility fees to include transit
  - Special assessments near stations, may vary by land use
  - Millage rates
- Next Steps
  - Continue coordination between the City, PSTA, Forward Pinellas and Pinellas County
  - Explore enabling legislation









#### **Questions and Answers**





