

City Council Pre-Agenda Workshop
Tuesday, May 2nd, 2017 6pm
Civic Center 105 N. 31st Street

Mayor Tom Bailey

Councilman Bill McGlothlin
Councilwoman Linda Albrecht

Councilman Jerry Wallace
Councilman Rex Putnal

1. Enforcement of City Code- Mr. McGlothlin
2. Federal Courthouse Resolution- City Administrator
3. Project Update- City Administrator
4. Coastal Parasail Contract- City Administrator
5. Planning and Zoning Recommendations- City Administrator
6. Miscellaneous
7. Review of Draft Agenda- City Clerk

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City Council
Agenda Abstract Form

Meeting Date: _____
Department: _____
Public Hearing: Yes No
Date of Public Hearing: _____

4/14/2017

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AGENDA ITEM #

Consent Agenda	Regular Agenda	Closed Session

PRESENTER/INFORMATION CONTACT:

ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED

Subject:

Code

Attachment(s):

Brief Summary:

No Council Member, including the Mayor, City Administrator nor the City Clerk of the City of Mexico Beach has the authority to require individuals who are charged with enforcement of the ordinances of Mexico Beach to disregard or suspend the enforcement of an ordinance. It is understood that in an emergency situation the Mayor, Council Members, City Manager or a city employee, who has been authorized by one of these three may request an ordinance be temporary suspended for the safety of the public. Should a suspension occur the suspension will be brought before the Council at their next meeting for their review and consideration.

Action Requested:

Should the above be approved by City Council of Mexico Beach and a change to or an ordinance is required to implement this procedure the City Manager is directed to create said change or ordinance.

ISSUE OVERVIEW

Background Information & Issue Summary:

A statement in our code such as this would be a benefit in several ways.

1. For a new inexperienced Council Member, such as myself, it would give an insight into the authority a Council member has or doesn't have.
2. Sometimes as we talk to an individual with an issue and it seems as if we are expected to change or suspend code. This statement will clearly our authority for the individual.
3. This statement should make our employees feel secure in knowing that we can't tell them to suspend or ignore code.
4. If code needs to be suspended for an emergency the Council will quickly know of it, and be able to determine if the suspension needs to continue or if the code needs to be amended.

Overall I believe a statement, such as this, will bring clarity to what can be expected from all Council members, including the Mayor and the City Manager.

Financial Impacts:

Staff Recommendations/Comments:

RESOLUTION 17-89

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PURSUIT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FEDERAL COURTHOUSE IN PANAMA CITY.

WHEREAS, federal law¹ provides that the federal court system in Florida shall be divided into 3 districts: Southern, Middle and Northern, and further provides that court for the Northern District be held in Gainesville, Marianna, Panama City, Pensacola, and Tallahassee; and

WHEREAS, the Northern District currently has 4 active districts (Gainesville, Panama City, Pensacola and Tallahassee), among which the Panama City division represents just under 20 percent of the caseload; and

WHEREAS, the federal government's lease of the present federal courthouse in Panama City expires on December 31, 2018, and will not be renewed due to security and other alleged inadequacies of the present building; and

WHEREAS, the federal government is considering closing the Panama City division rather than pursuing the re-establishment of the Courthouse at a new location; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated by the Bay County Chamber of Commerce that there are 27 jobs that will be directly impacted by the closure of the Panama City division and over 100 jobs that will be indirectly impacted; and

WHEREAS, the Bay County Jail houses Federal inmates which is a major source of income for county government, estimated at the highest point to be over \$400,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the current Panama City federal courthouse facility also houses the US Marshal, US Attorney and Public Defender, and a federal probation office and it is foreseeable that some of these and other federal agencies will move out of town rather than establish new offices outside the closed federal courthouse; and

WHEREAS, the Panama City Federal Courthouse serves a six county region encompassing Bay, Gulf, Calhoun, Jackson, Washington and Holmes Counties with a current regional population of 306,000 and an estimated ten year population growth of over 500,000 more than justifies the provision of a locally situated federal courthouse; and

WHEREAS, the loss of the federal courthouse would have tremendous economic impact on those involved in federal cases (legal professionals, jurors, witnesses, investigators and law enforcement) which would involve travel 100 miles to Pensacola

¹ 28 U.S. Code § 89-Florida

or Tallahassee, and overnight or longer stays, and the extent of that economic impact is anticipated to increase as this area continues to grow; and

WHEREAS, the City of Panama City Beach supports the efforts of the Bay County Chamber of Commerce Federal Courthouse Task Force created to fight for the continued operation of the Panama City division and establishment of a new federal courthouse in Panama City.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the people of the City of Panama City Beach, acting through their duly elected representatives, that the people of the City of Panama City Beach oppose the dissolution of the Panama City division and support the pursuit and establishment of a new federal courthouse facility in Panama City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager is directed to forward copies of this executed Resolution immediately to the Honorable Casey Rodgers, Chief Judge of the Northern District; the Honorable Ed Carnes, Chief Judge of the Eleventh Circuit; the state and federal legislators who also represent the people of the City, Bay County; the Bay County Chamber of Commerce Federal Courthouse Task Force; and to all others whom he may determine appropriate.

THIS RESOLUTION shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED UNANIMOUSLY in regular session this ____ day of _____, 2017.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH

By: _____
Mike Thomas, Mayor

By: _____
Josie Strange, Vice Mayor

By: _____
John Reichard, Council Member

By: _____
Phil Chester, Council Member

By: _____
Hector Solis, Council Member

ATTEST:

Diane Fowler, City Clerk

**City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, May 9, 2017 6:00 PM
Civic Center 105 N. 31st St.**

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CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

MAYOR'S COMMENT

COUNCIL COMMENTS

CITIZEN COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

***April 4, 2017 - City Council Pre-Agenda Meeting**

***April 4, 2017- City Council Special Meeting**

***April 11, 2017 – City Council Regular Meeting**

(Items denoted by * are on consent agenda and will be considered simultaneously by the Mayor and Council.)

SCHEDULED APPEARANCES

1. Dewberry

ORDINANCES

First Reading

Ordinance 666

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEXICO BEACH
FLORIDA, AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION OF
FUNDS OF THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-
2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR

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THE GENERAL FUND AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- a. Motion to read Ordinance 666 by title only.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2017-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MEXICO BEACH FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE PURSUIT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW FEDERAL COURTHOUSE IN PANAMA CITY.

- a. Motion to read Resolution 2017-05 by title only.
- b. Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-05.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Enforcement of City Code- Mr. McGlothlin

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIONS

Police Chief – Chief Anthony Kelly

Emergency Services- Mark Stangl

Department of Public Works – Philip Hall

City Clerk- Adrian Welle

City Administrator – Mell Smigielski

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT