NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PINELLAS COUNTY CODE

The Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners proposes to amend the Pinellas County Code by Ordinance.

A public hearing on the Ordinance will be held on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., in the Parks and Conservation Resources - Magnolia Room, 12520 Ulmerton Road, Largo, Florida 33774. This is a hybrid in-person and virtual Board of County Commissioners regular meeting with both in-person and virtual participation due to current Declaration of Emergency relating to the COVID-19 pandemic and CDC recommended social distancing guidelines. Members of the public wishing to address the body on the agenda item may do so in person or virtually. Space for in-person attendance is very limited due to COVID-19 social distancing so the public is strongly encouraged participate virtually. To participate virtually, visit to www.pinellascounty.org/attend or call the Zoom meeting at one of the following numbers: 1-646-558-8656; or 1-312-626-6799; or 1-301-715-8592; or 1-346-248-7799; or 1-720-707-2699; or 1-253-215-8782. You will be asked to enter a Webinar ID number. That number is 238 247 671.

Interested parties may appear at the hearings and be heard regarding the proposed Ordinance.

1. PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PINELLAS COUNTY CODE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF PINELLAS RELATED TO PUBLIC HEALTH **AND SAFETY:** ESTABLISHING AUTHORITY FOR AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE ELIMINATION PROGRAM FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, TO BE CODIFIED AS ARTICLE XV OF CHAPTER 42 OF THE PINELLAS COUNTY CODE; PROVIDING A SHORT TITLE PROVIDING A PURPOSE; **DEFINITIONS: PROVIDING PROVIDING** AUTHORIZATION FOR A STERILE NEEDLE AND **EXCHANGE SYRINGE PROGRAM** (SYRINGE **EXCHANGE**) **PURSUANT** TO **FLORIDA STATUTE** 381.0038(4): **PROVIDING FOR** CONDITIONS **PRECENDENT** TO **ESTABLISHING** A **SYRINGE** EXCHANGE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF AN OPERATOR; PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF SITES AND EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR SYRINGE **EXCHANGE PROGRAM OPERATION; PROVIDING FOR** DATA AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SYRINGE **EXCHANGE** PROGRAM; **PROVIDING FOR** ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR PROHIBITION OF COUNTY, STATE, AND MUNICIPAL FUNDING SUPPORT FOR SYRINGE EXCHANGE; PROVIDING THAT THE DEFINED SYRINGE PROGRAM IS NOT IN CONFLICT WITH **OTHER ORDINANCES**; **PROVIDING** SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AREAS EMBRACED;

PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The proposed amendment to the Pinellas County Code can be inspected by the public at the Pinellas County Board Records Department, 315 Court Street, Fifth Floor, Clearwater, Florida 33756. Comments may be sent to this same address or call (727) 464-3458.

Persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at the meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WHO NEED REASONABLE ACCOMODATIONS TO EFFECTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING ARE ASKED TO CONTACT THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY EMAILING SUCH REQUESTS TO BOTH PVALENTI@CO.PINELLAS.FL.US AND TO JLORICK@CO.PINELLAS.FL.US AT LEAST THREE (3) BUSINESS DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE NEED FOR REASONABLE ACCOMODATION. YOU MAY ALSO CALL (727) 464-4882.

KEN BURKE, CLERK TO
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
By: Norman D. Loy, Deputy Clerk