



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Authority to advertise a proposed ordinance amending the Pinellas County Land Development Code, Chapter 122-Traffic and Vehicles, by revising Sections 122-32 and 122-35, repealing references to backing into parking spaces.

Recommended Action:

Authorize a public hearing be held on October 23, 2018 regarding a proposed ordinance of the Pinellas County Land Development Code, amending Chapter 122 - Traffic and Vehicles by revising Sections 122-32 and 122-35 repealing references to backing into parking spaces.

Strategic Plan:

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

This ordinance revision will provide for the removal of backing into parking spaces as prohibitive.

Background Information:

An ordinance developed in 1979 and amended in 2005 prohibited vehicles from backing into a parking spot. This prohibition applies to all areas of the County (incorporated and unincorporated). Recent enforcement activities highlighted the need to review this ordinance in more detail, as several recent parking fines resulting from this issue were dismissed.

County staff has determined that backing into parking spaces will not compromise public safety or orderly traffic flow and recommends the repeal of the exclusion.

The Pinellas County Sheriff has also advised that there is no essential law enforcement purpose to prohibiting cars being backed into parking spaces and has no objection to the ordinance being rescinded.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Staff Member Responsible:

Rahim Harji, Assistant County Administrator

Partners:

N/A

Attachments:

Proposed Ordinance - clean

Proposed Ordinance - strikethrough
Email from Sheriff Gaultieri