



COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

May 6, 2013

REVISED*

FROM: Ashton J. Hayward, III, Mayor *WHR for ASH*

SUBJECT: Creating Section 8-1-22 of the City Code - Prohibiting Camping on Public Property

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council adopt the proposed ordinance creating Section 8-1-22 of the City Code to prohibit camping, as defined, on public property in the City limits.

SUMMARY:

The City of Pensacola has, in the past, adopted ordinances regulating the construction of temporary shelters and the activity of utilizing recreational vehicles for living purposes in order to foster the aesthetics, sanitation, and public health and safety of the citizens. The City desires to extend such oversight to other public property in order to continue to provide for public health and safety, and to clarify the activities that are being prohibited. The attached proposed ordinance is drawn from a similar ordinance adopted by the City of Orlando and upheld in federal court litigation by the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals. The ordinance prohibits camping on public property or on residential property without the owner's permission, under defined circumstances.

PRIOR ACTION:

December 12, 2011 - Tabled by City Council.*

FUNDING:

No additional funding is required.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None.

STAFF CONTACT:

William H Reynolds, City Administrator

ATTACHMENTS:

1) Proposed Ordinance

PRESENTATION:

No.