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City of Port Orange Announces Special Meeting to Discuss Ordinance on Aggressive Panhandling with City Council, to be Prohibited in Certain Areas of the City

Port Orange, FL –The City of Port Orange announces a Special Meeting to discuss an ordinance regulating panhandling. The first reading of the Ordinance will take place on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 5:30 pm in City Council Chambers at Port Orange City Hall.

Constitutional Law Expert, Michael Kahn, who prepared the cities of St. Augustine and Daytona Beach panhandling ordinances, has drafted a City of Port Orange panhandling ordinance that will prohibit aggressive panhandling, panhandling after-dark, and panhandling to a captive audience such as a person standing in-line at store, waiting for a bus at a bus stop, eating at an outdoor dining establishment, attending a show at an amphitheater, or using a playground.

In order to comply with FCC regulations, the Special Meeting will **not** be streamed Live on Port Orange Government Television (POG) Channel 498, due to profane language that may occur during testimony provided regarding aggressive panhandling. However, it will be streamed Live on the city's YouTube Channel, "Port Orange Government Television," and there will be explicit warnings on the video concerning any profane language. The public is welcome to attend in person at City Hall Council Chambers located at 1000 City Center Circle, Port Orange, FL 32129. Minutes will also be taken and available when completed.

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