



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

REQUESTED COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 04/28/09

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION NO. 09-30 : FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES' PROGRAM, "BUILDING CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY: BACK TO BASICS"

DEPARTMENT: CITY MANAGER

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

To approve Resolution No. 09-30 recognizing the "Building Citizenship in the Community: Back to Basics" initiative of the Florida League of Cities and pledging support for this effort.

SUMMARY:

The "Building Citizenship in the Community: Back to Basics" initiative of the Florida League of Cities is an educational effort to teach residents about their city and the fundamental services provided. The program has designed a campaign to increase civic awareness and participation and provide cities with information about projects that can be undertaken to increase awareness of municipal issues.

The Florida League of Cities and its member cities have joined together to teach students and all citizens about municipal government through a variety of projects, resources and information. The City of Port Orange has, and will continue to provide municipal educational opportunities to its residents. Past examples include student government day activities, the citizens' police academy and others. Participation in this program will only strengthen the City's commitment to civics education. Staff recommends approval.

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance Resolution Budget Resolution
 Other Support Documents/Contracts Available for Review in Manager's Office

DEPARTMENT HEAD Shannon M. Lewis *[Signature]* Date 04/17/2009

FINANCE DEPARTMENT Approved as to Budget Requirements Date

CITY ATTORNEY *[Signature]* Approved as to Form and Legality Date 4/28/09

CITY MANAGER *[Signature]* Approved Agenda Item For: 4/28/09

COUNCIL ACTION: Approved as Recommended Disapproved Tabled Indefinitely
 Continued to Date Certain Approved with Modification:

RESOLUTION NO. 09- 30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ORANGE, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE "BUILDING CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY: BACK TO BASICS" INITIATIVE OF THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC., AND PLEDGING SUPPORT FOR THIS STATEWIDE EFFORT AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, municipal government is the government closest to most citizens, with tremendous daily impact upon its residents; and

WHEREAS, city government is administered for and by its citizens, and is dependent upon public commitment to, and understanding of, its many responsibilities, and city government officials and employees share the responsibility to pass along their understanding of public services and their benefits; and

WHEREAS, Florida's citizenry receives public services from state, county, school district, and other government levels, educating Florida's citizens of all ages as to the structure and function of all the levels of government, and how to be wise consumers of such services is therefore critically important; and

WHEREAS, the Florida League of Cities and its member cities have joined together to teach students and all citizens about municipal government through a variety of different projects, resources and information;

WHEREAS, this initiative will make resources available to cities and their citizens to utilize in furthering their goals for civic education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE OF THE CITY OF PORT ORANGE, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA:

(RES. NO. 09-)

Section 1. That the City of Port Orange does hereby encourage all citizens, city government officials and employees to utilize the opportunities and resources available through this initiative.

Section 2. That the City of Port Orange does encourage educational partnerships between city government and schools, as well as civic groups and other organizations.

Section 3. That the City of Port Orange does support and encourage all city governments to actively promote the "Building Citizenship in the Community: Back to Basics" initiative.

Section 4. This resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

MAYOR ALLEN GREEN

ATTEST:

Kenneth W. Parker, City Manager

Adopted on the ____ day of

Reviewed and Approved:


City Attorney

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