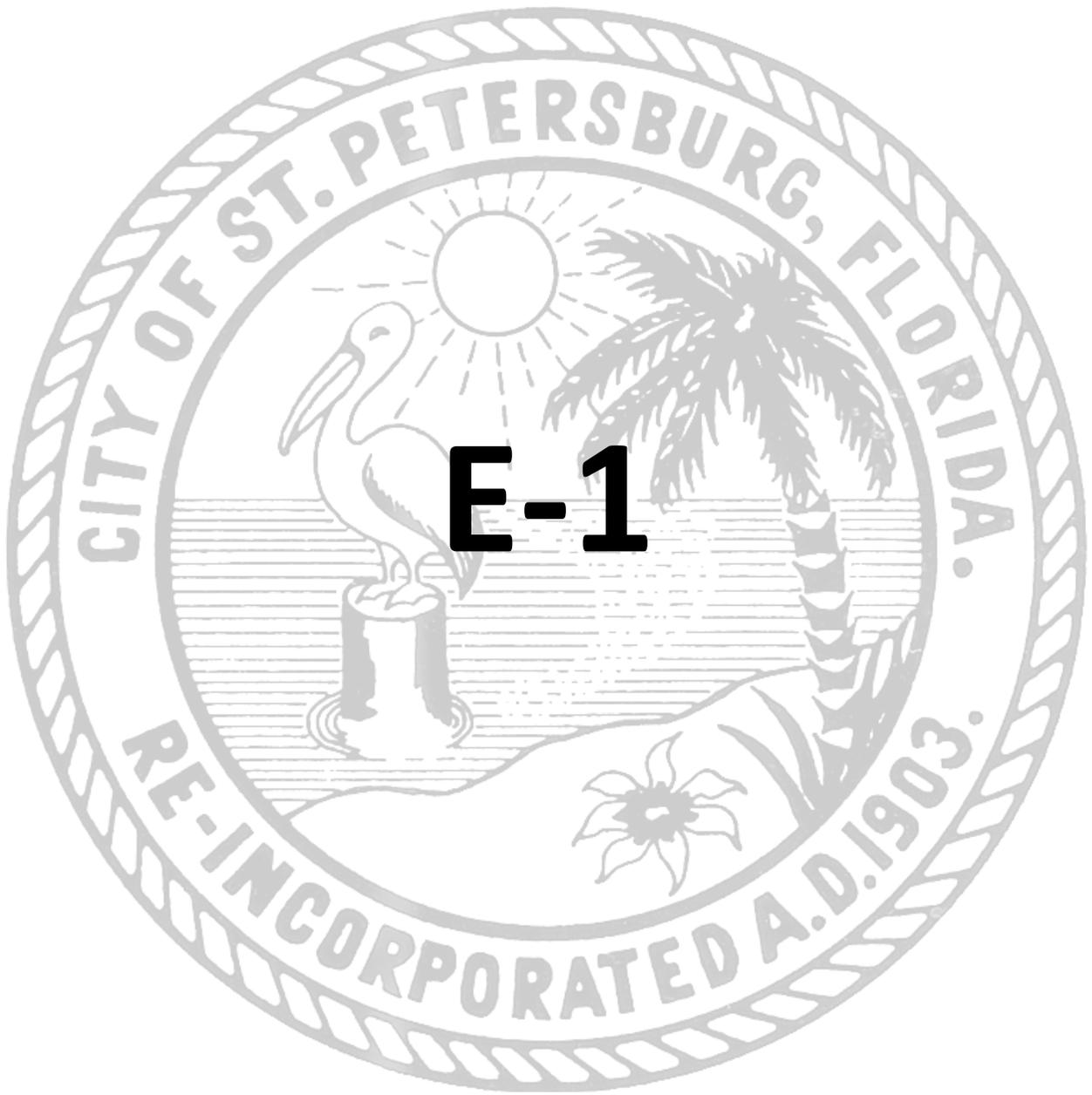


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MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Chair and Members of City Council

Thru: Tom Greene, Assistant City Administrator

From: Stephanie Scarbrough, Director, Procurement and Supply Management

Date: March 26, 2026

Subject: Amending the Procurement Code Section 2-209(a)

Per direction of City Council, the attached draft ordinance amends section 2-209 of the City Code to clarify provisions related to the cone of silence.

The attached draft ordinance amends the following:

- Section 2-209(a): For purposes of this section, the date of “final award” is the date the contract with the selected offeror is fully executed.

Administration recommends approval of the ordinance upon first reading and public hearing.

Attachments



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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-209(A) OF THE CITY CODE TO CLARIFY PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE CONE OF SILENCE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CITY OF ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA DOES ORDAIN:

SECTION ONE. Section 2-209(a) of the St. Petersburg City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2-209. Cone of Silence.

(a) Unless otherwise provided in the solicitation documents, beginning upon the date on which a competitive solicitation is first advertised and continuing until the later of the date of (1) the final award of the competitive solicitation, (2) the date of rejection of all bids or responses to the competitive solicitation, or (3) the date of final disposition of any protest of the competitive solicitation, offerors and their employees, agents, contractors, and representatives are prohibited from communicating (whether oral, written, or electronic) with any member of City Council, the Mayor, any member of the selection committee, or City project consultants related to the competitive solicitation. For purposes of this section, the date of “final award” is the date the contract with the selected offeror is fully executed.

SECTION TWO. This is an Ordinance relating to procurement; therefore, pursuant to section 166.041(4)(c), Florida Statutes, a business impact estimate was not required and was not prepared for this Ordinance.

SECTION THREE. The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable, and a determination that any portion of this ordinance is invalid should not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION FOUR. As used in this Ordinance, language appearing in struck-through type is language to be deleted from the City Code, and underlined language is language to be added to the City Code, in the section, subsection, or other location where indicated. Language in the City Code not appearing in this ordinance continues in full force and effect unless the context clearly indicates otherwise. Sections of this Ordinance that amend the City Code to add new sections or subsections are generally not underlined.

SECTION FIVE. In the event this Ordinance is not vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, it will become effective after the fifth business day after adoption unless the Mayor notifies the City Council through written notice filed with the City Clerk that the Mayor will not veto the ordinance, in which case the Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon filing such written notice with the City Clerk. In the event this Ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor in accordance with the City Charter, it will not become effective unless and until the City Council

overrides the veto in accordance with the City Charter, in which case it will become effective immediately upon a successful vote to override the veto.

Approved as to form and content:


City Attorney (designee)
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