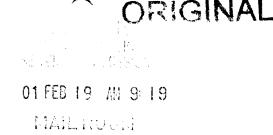
Neighborhood Development Department





Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

February 15, 2001

RE: Docket # 001762 - Proposed Rule 25-24.517, FAC, Location of Pay Telephones

Dear Mr. Moses.

Please be advised that we have reviewed Proposed Rule 25-24.517, F.A.C., Location of Pay Telephones, and would like to extend our support for the language restricting the location of pay telephones in residential areas. We feel that this will resolve some of the problems we are experiencing. However, it would be beneficial to include a definition of duplex residential, as it may be interpreted in multiple ways.

We also feel it would be advantageous to include a statement that would regulate the location of pay phones on multi-family residential properties. We understand the need for pay telephones in multi-family units, but feel that the residents and neighbors would be better served if they were visible from the street and located on the actual structures, rather than adjacent to the right of way. The pay telephones negatively impact the curb appeal of the neighborhood, as well as generate unnecessary pedestrian traffic and loitering. Attached please find a picture of the aforementioned situation. Adding a rule requiring that pay telephones be located on the multi-family residential structures could alleviate this situation.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. We are greatly encouraged by the fact that the Florida Public Service Commission has decided to review the policy regulating the location of pay telephones. Should you require additional support or information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (941) 954-2604.

Respectfully,

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Dear Ms. Barbone:

Please be advised the Greater Downtown Sarasota Action Team strongly supports the position that local jurisdictions must have the right to control pay phone placement in residential areas throughout our neighborhoods. In an effort to control this problem, the Public Service Commission should develop guidelines regulating the placement of pay phones in residential areas.

Thank you for your attention to this matter of great importance to our community. Should you require additional support or information, please do not hesitate to contact the Action Team.

Sincerely

Jennifer Wilson

Neighborhood Coordinator