

**TAB 16**

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA, OPPOSING A UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE MANASOTA AREA MAIL PROCESSING STUDY; OPPOSING ANY ACTION THAT WILL MOVE MAIL PROCESSING FROM THE MANASOTA PROCESSING AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Florida Constitution provides that municipalities shall have governmental, corporate and proprietary powers to enable municipalities to conduct municipal government, perform municipal functions, and render municipal services; and,

**WHEREAS**, the role and function of municipal government is constantly evolving from new demands from its citizens and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Palmetto desires to petition the Postal Service to give full consideration to community and employee comments concerning proposed possible impacts to regional mail processing, prior to the authorization of any study.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PALMETTO:**

- Section 1: The City Commission is opposed to any study or Postal Service action that could have an adverse impact to mail serviced by the Manasota Processing and Distribution Center and the residents of the City of Palmetto.
- Section 2: The City Commission is opposed to any study or Postal Service action that could have an adverse impact to mail serviced by the Manasota Processing and Distribution Center, as community jobs may be adversely impacted.
- Section 2: The City Commission is opposed to City of Palmetto mail bearing a Tampa postmark.

**PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED**, in regular session, by the City Commission of the City of Palmetto, with a quorum present and voting, this 5th day of January, 2009.

CITY OF PALMETTO, FLORIDA  
BY AND THROUGH THE CITY  
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF  
PALMETTO

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
SHIRLEY GROOVER BRYANT,  
MAYOR

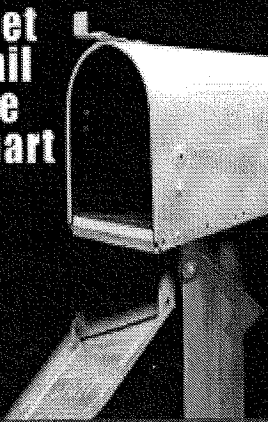
ATTEST: JAMES R. FREEMAN

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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US Mail Service Info for Residents and Businesses of Sarasota, Manatee, Desoto Counties

**Don't Let  
Our Mail  
Service  
Fall Apart**



**Save Our Service**

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- About Us/Contact Us
- Sign Our Petition
- Learn More
- Testimonials
- Contact Elected Officials

Upcoming Public Meetings:

Jan. 5 @ 7PM Town of  
Longboat Key, 501 Bay Isles  
Road, Longboat Key

Jan. 7 @ 6PM, City of  
Bradenton Beach, 107 Gulf  
Drive N., Bradenton Beach

Jan 13 @ 7PM, City of Holmes  
Beach, 5801 Marina Drive,  
Holmes Beach

USPS Town Hall Meetings (To  
Be Announced)

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As postal workers and citizens  
of this community, we are  
proud of our record of good  
service. We want our record of

## USPS Manasota AMP Study

While mail volume and USPS income is down, one would think the counties of Sarasota, Manatee and Desoto would not stand to lose any more service and resources than surrounding communities do. Unfortunately, that is not the case. The Postal Service has launched an Area Mail Processing (AMP) study that, if approved, would shift some mail processing operations out of the Sarasota/Bradenton mail processing facility (the Manasota P&DC), into the Tampa P&DC.

### What This Means to Us

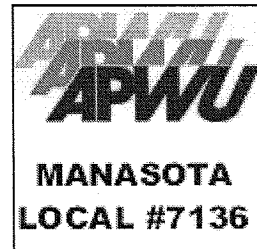
We believe the changes proposed will have a major impact on mail delivery in our area. First, ALL local mail would have to travel farther. Under the plan, all the mail sent from Sarasota, Manatee and parts of Desoto county would be sent to Tampa for processing. For example, a letter mailed from Sarasota to Bradenton would be first trucked to Tampa, postmarked, partially processed, then sent back to Manasota for final processing, then on to Bradenton for delivery, instead of being fully processed locally. Second, we could see earlier collection times and later deliveries, even into the night, to make up for the increased travel time. Third, the postmark for all the mail sent from our area would change to TAMPA, unless you actually go to the post office and request your town's postmark. Click here to learn more.

### What You Can Do

Print and sign our community petition. Have your family, friends and neighbors sign as well. Instructions for getting petitions back to us are right on the

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FORM  
HERE**

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MORE**



good service to continue.

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form.

Then, call and write your elected officials, civic leaders and ask them to do everything within their power to oppose this ill-advised plan. Information on upcoming public meetings on this important issue will be posted on this website. These public meetings are your opportunity to voice your concerns over the proposed changes. Here are some links to contact local officials.

