

**CITY OF TAMPA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
COMMUNITY NEEDS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FY2005-2006
December 15, 2005**

ADDITIONAL REQUEST:

Sulphur Springs Action League

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Need and Recommendation 2. Provide regular scheduled pick-up of Solid Waste.

We have a high level of trash and debris contributed to:

- a. Normally thrown out and unable to pay fee-also no means to get to McKay.**
- b. Constant moving of tenants from duplexes and contents are dumped into street.**
- c. Area has lots of vacant, unfenced, lots and has reputation of “dumping” area.**

Response: From William Doherty, Deputy Director, Code Enforcement, 274-5562. The Code Enforcement Department will continue to cite property owners in this area for violations regarding high levels of trash and debris.

Response: From Varghese Jacob, Solid Waste Administrative Chief, Solid Waste Department, 348-1104. Free disposal is available at McKay Bay Transfer Station. Solid Waste Department is actively pursuing setting up a neighborhood drop-off location in north side of the city, which will be secured and staffed for the use of the citizens. Also, Solid Waste Department, Code Enforcement Department and Police Department are collaborating and working aggressively to respond to the illegal dumping citywide.

Ridgewood Park Crime Prevention and Civic Association, Inc.

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Need and Recommendation 2. Increased lighting on Glenwood (2200 – 2500 Blocks):

The greenspace along Glenwood is in need of additional lighting. The area is a natural park. The lack of lighting makes it an unsafe area after dark.

Response: From Calvin Thornton, Engineer, Department of Public Works, Transportation Planning, 274-8333. The Transportation Division will check the requested location to see if additional streetlights are needed. The city has a continuous light program throughout the year to provide fill-in streetlights at specific areas that have been reported to be dark. You should contact Terry Wermuth at 274-8007 immediately with specific locations of darkness or submit request at the Customer Service Center website http://www.tampagov.net/appl_customer_service_center/.

Update: From Jan Washington, Engineer II, Department of Public Works, Transportation Planning, 274-8333. The City of Tampa has made arrangements with Tampa Electric to upgrade existing 50 WHPS and 70 W HPS lighting fixtures to 100 W HPS. The system-wide upgrade has been divided into seven phases which were determined in collaboration with the community and the City of Tampa Police Department. TECO will be upgrading approximately 250 fixtures per month.

To date, the City of Tampa has upgraded approximately 6,971 luminaries and 7,654 lights are waiting for upgrades. Phase IV of the program is expected to begin December 2005. If you have questions or want additional lighting, please contact our Street Light Line at 635-3407 or submit request at the Customer Service Center website http://www.tampagov.net/appl_customer_service_center/.

Response: From Karen Palus, Director, Parks and Recreation Department, 274-7730. Parks and Recreation will investigate this area and determine lighting requirements. If appropriate, Parks and Recreation will request funding in Fiscal Year 2007.

Update: From Karen Palus, Director, Parks and Recreation Department, 274-7730. The department staff will be review this request during FY06 and if lighting is needed funding will be requested in FY07.