



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the North Port Commission

**FROM:** Peter D. Lear, CPA, CGMA, City Manager

**TITLE:** Ordinance 2018-56, Second Reading, Amending ULDC Chapter 55, Section 55-15 and Section 55-16 to Allow Pawn Shops in Activity Center 1, TXT-18-230.

### **Recommended Action**

City Commission approve Ordinance 2018-56.

### **Background Information**

At the October 9, 2018 City Commission meeting, Commission directed staff to draft language removing the prohibition of pawn shops in Activity Center 1 and adding pawn shops as a permitted use in Activity Center 1.

This ordinance would strike current language in ULDC Chapter 55, Sec. 55-16 Prohibited uses listing pawn shops as a prohibited use and amend ULDC Chapter 55, Sec. 55-15 Permitted uses to add pawn shops as a permitted use in Activity Center 1, Mediterranean.

At the December 6, 2018 Planning and Zoning Advisory Board meeting there was discussion on this item about allowing pawn shops to locate in Activity Center 1. Board members expressed the opinion that pawn shops should remain where they are already allowed to locate and should remain existing, non-conforming in Activity Center 1. The vote to recommend approval was 2-2, and it failed for lack of majority.

At first reading during the January 8, 2019 commission meeting there was discussion about pawn shops remaining an existing nonconforming use in Activity Center 1. Concerns were brought up regarding a need for a larger, overall discussion about nonconforming uses. It was stated that this is an agenda item that will be coming before the Commission at a later date. The question was asked of tabling this ordinance until that larger discussion takes place, but the vote to continue Ordinance 2018-56 to second reading with no changes passed 4-1.

### **Strategic Plan**

Support a vibrant and diversified economy to create local jobs and attract private investments.

### **Financial Impact**

N/A

### **Procurement**

N/A

**Attachments:**

1. Ordinance 2018-56

2. Staff Report, TXT-18-230

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