

ACTION ALERT: Please act before 11/19/24

We need you to call or email your representatives and tell them to fix our infrastructure and not give handouts to billionaires with our tax dollars.

The stadium deal is not done. **This is our last chance to reject the current deal and negotiate a better deal.** Public money should be spent on projects that benefit the public, like fixing our infrastructure and repairing our communities, not funding stadiums.

<u>Learn more on the League's stance on the stadium deal and how it relates to our social justice work here</u>

Next week the County Commissioners and City Council will vote to add \$700 million (City) and \$500 million (County) in public debt to pay for a baseball stadium. The City of St. Petersburg has a \$5 billion plan to improve water, wastewater and stormwater so that the impact of future storms and hurricanes is less devastating. Other communities must also repair and replace damaged and outdated systems. In addition, we just learned that the City must spend \$50 million to fix the current stadium, which under the current plan will be demolished two years later.

Please, take 5 minutes today and write to your County Commissioners and City Council members.

The suggested message can be cut and pasted from below or write your own message:

I live in (St. Petersburg) or (Pinellas County). I'm asking you to vote NO on the stadium bonds. Our priority is making the necessary improvements to our water, wastewater and stormwater systems. Our community needs to be repaired and protected. We can't afford to add debt for a stadium.

Thank you for your services and responsiveness to voters and taxpayers.

Please distribute this message to all Commissioners and Council members, including newly elected members.

To fill out a comment card on County Commissioner hearing go to this site and fill out the comment card:

https://www.mypinellasclerk.gov/Home/Finance#127688-bcc-meetings

Topic: Stadium Bonds Agenda Item: 24-1955A BCC Agenda Date: 11/19/24

Cut and paste comment from above or just write Opposed to Bonds

Check the box that says OPPOSED

To contact the St. Petersburg City Council, write an email to the address below:

Make sure to include in your message: **Please distribute to all Council Members and place in the record.**

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To contact the Pinellas County Commissioners and Commissioners elect, use these email addresses:

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