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### **Port St. Lucie City Council Hires New City Attorney**

PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. (July 26, 2016) – The Port St. Lucie City Attorney’s Office has a new leader after the City Council Monday unanimously approved an employment agreement with O. Reginald Osenton.

Osenton, who now lives in Brandon and has been practicing law for 27 years, will begin work as Port St. Lucie’s new City Attorney on Sept. 1.

“I’m thrilled to be selected as Port St. Lucie’s City Attorney,” Osenton said. “I look forward to working with Council, the employees of the city and residents. I am very excited to be starting a new chapter in my life.”

After a nationwide search, Osenton rose to the top of the Council’s shortlist of candidates after each Council member individually interviewed him earlier this month. He also talked with residents at a meet-and-greet event on July 9. The Council members, at their July 11 meeting, reported they were impressed with Osenton’s business plan for the department. They described him as a strong leader and an outside-the-box thinker.

Osenton established his own law practice, Osenton Law Offices, P.A., in Brandon in 2008. The firm has represented many businesses in matters such as corporate governance, real estate, contracts, litigation, and employee issues. Osenton also has served as Mayor of the Town of Mitchell Heights, West Virginia and Town Attorney for the Town of Man, West Virginia.

“I bring a fresh perspective to the City Attorney’s Office as we rebuild it and make it responsive and effective for the needs of Council and the City,” Osenton said. “Simply stated, my goal is to make the Port St. Lucie City Attorney’s Office the best in the State of Florida.”

To read Osenton's employment agreement and more information on his background, please see:  
[http://psl.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view\\_id=&event\\_id=1031&meta\\_id=126879](http://psl.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=&event_id=1031&meta_id=126879)

<http://www.cityofpsl.com/legal/city-attorney-finalists-info/bio-ostenton.pdf>

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