Darden Rice is running for her second term on the St. Petersburg City Council.

ST. PETERSBURG – Darden Rice has received the endorsements of the Sun Coast Police Benevolent Association and the St. Petersburg Association of Firefighters in her campaign for reelection to the District 4 seat on the St. Petersburg City Council.

“Darden is a strong leader we can count on,” said Richard Pauley, president of the St. Petersburg Association of Firefighters. “We know she will continue to honorably serve the citizens of St. Petersburg and the interests of the men and women in the fire and emergency medical services.”

George Lofton, president of the Sun Coast Police Benevolent Association, said, “We are proud to endorse Darden. She’s a trusted ally of our officers and a vocal supporter of safer streets and stronger neighborhoods on council. Darden understands the crucial role our police officers play in making our city safer and we look forward to continuing to work with her.”

Rice said, “I’m deeply honored to have the support of our police officers and firefighters. The work these public servants do every day to keep our city safe is extraordinary and deeply appreciated. I look forward to continuing the progress we’ve made.”

Rice announced her intention to seek re-election to the St. Petersburg City Council in mid-February. During the first two weeks of her campaign, she raised over $23,000.

Rice, 46, is chair of the City Council and has served as president of the St. Pete League of Women Voters of St. Pete for the past three years. She served on the St. Pete Charter Review Commission and as chair of the Waterfront Subcommittee. She is co-founder of the Pinellas Living Green Expo and past Florida director of Gulf Restoration Network.

St. Petersburg has an eight-member council, each of whom serves a four-year term. Qualifying starts 8 a.m June 8 and ends 5 p.m. June 23. The primary is Aug. 29. The general election is Nov. 7.

For information about Darden Rice, go to Facebook.com or votedardenrice.com.

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