

Lisa Smith

From: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:28 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket No. 20200226
Attachments: Docket #20200226-SU; Support for Docket #20200226-SU; Fwd Failure Notice; RE Docket #20200226-SU Objection to application for Proposed sewer for Don Pedro Island Knights island and Palm island ; Docket #20200226-SU

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20200226.

Thank you!

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From: MICHELLE ZAKRAJSHEK <ROGERANDMICHELLE7@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:24 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Passidomo;
Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

Hello we are Roger and Michelle Zakrajshek property owners at 430 Kettle Harbor Drive Placida Fl on Don Pedro Island.

I am emailing you to object to EU's proposal for central sewer on Don Pedro Island and request you deny the application for wastewater.

There is no need for new service. What we have on the island is working and there have been no studies done stating that the current septic systems are harming the environment. Most people on the island do not want more development which would come with more people and more pollution problems as well. Existing habitat will be destroyed which as well brings up a huge environmental concerns on an island with already fragile ecosystems.

We do not believe the applicant has the financial ability to perform the work. Nor do they have the technical ability to perform the work.

Also the rates that were proposed were not fair and equitable. Also there are hidden costs that have not been discussed.

Thanks,

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From: Linda Soderquist <linist@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:15 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Support for Docket #20200226-SU

I want to express my support for the proposed central sewer system for the barrier islands (Palm Island and Little Gasparilla Island) of Charlotte County. Many of the current septic systems are woefully inadequate and leach effluent into the bay and gulf every extreme high tide and major wind or rain storm. I can think of no other project that would be of more benefit to the islands' fragile environment, its plants and animals, and the surrounding waters.

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From: fzody85044@aol.com
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:12 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Fwd: Failure Notice

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From: MAILER-DAEMON@aol.com
To: fzody85044@aol.com
Sent: Mon, Jan 24, 2022 9:08 am
Subject: Failure Notice

Sorry, we were unable to deliver your message to the following address.

<CommissionerPassidomo@psc.state.fl.us>:
550: No such user (CommissionerPassidomo@psc.state.fl.us)

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Please consider my opinion as a homeowner and taxpayer on Palm Island (the Knight Island portion) since 1984.

I do recognize that the island needs access to sewers and I do request that Charlotte County provide such service as soon as possible. But I am absolutely opposed to turning what should be a public utility into a for-profit operation.

The property taxes I have paid on my home since 1984 have helped provide utilities for the rest of Charlotte County; now you are saying that the rest of the County will not have part of their property taxes used to provide me with those same services. I am, therefore, being denied equal treatment under the law. I and all the other property owners on Palm Island subsidize the rest of the County; we're left on our own to pay for the same services.

And it cannot be questioned that we will pay higher prices for sewer service than the rest of the County because we will have to pay the cost of that service plus an extra premium to provide the owners with their profit. Again, we are being denied equal treatment under the law.

Please deny the application for a for-profit sewer utility on Palm Island and follow that by starting the process to provide government service as soon as possible. I should not have to pay a share of the costs to non-island taxpayers and 100% of the costs of a for-profit utility on the island.

Sincerely,

Brenda Wheeler Zody, 140 N. Gulf Blvd., Cape Haze/Placida 33946

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From: Sandy MacKinnon <smackinnonadm@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 8:50 AM
To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Commissioner.Clark@sc.state.fl.us;
Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Cc: Robin Madden; LAURIE WEINSTEIN; Bob Madden; Beach To Bay Larry And Lucy Herman;
Pritchard, A:
Subject: RE: Docket #20200226-SU Objection to application for Proposed sewer for Don Pedro
Island Knights island and Palm island

Dear county commissioners , first thank you for all your dedication and hard work as a county commission to our county and all the residence there in. I know there are many demands on your time and expertise and the above Docket number is no exception.

My name is Alex Mackinnon i own properties at 400 s. Gulf blvd and 300 s gulf blvd unit 28. Don Pedro Island I have owned both properties for over 25 years and have never had septic issues with either. The usage of these two beach properties amounts to no more than two months a year in they are reserved for family use for the most part. This is hardly a strain in any way on either of the two septic systems . Further i believe the county at least once per year has an inspector inspect all tanks on the island. My good conversations with your inspector by coincidence maybe 8 months ago i saw him looking at the 400 gulf septic system he added that the septic systems on the island created no real problems or really exist on the island . You might want to follow up on his reports. I was totally unaware of the county inspection on septic systems.

Having been a part of the community for so long and no reported issues to my knowledge i am not sure what the need or sense of urgency to create the havoc , expense, inconvenience and disruption to our ecological system as well as the enviromental impact that will take years to return back to how it is today. This is to say nothing of the expense to implement and maintain the system going forward. Totally unnecessary in this writers opinion.

I would hope this is not being purposed by a special interest groups that are looking to reduce their costs of doing business at the expense of all those that this is directed to. FURTHER i wish there was a way to have you help and work with the counties to the north of us to have them eliminate the Piney Point recent disaster and as well the continual dumping of sewage in communities to the north when their sewer systems fail to handle the overload issues when heavy storms occur. The dumping that occurs is shocking.

In the 25 years and more that i have owned the property i have seen the Gulf of Mexico continue to deteriorate and fish kills increase and i assure you it is not because the little island of Don Pedro and adjoining islands, do not have a sewer system.

Thanks for listening and i encourage a no vote for the application that the PSC deny the application for the original certificate of authorization on this proposal .

Grateful for you all, and doing the right thing on this issue.

ALEX (Sandy) Mackinnon

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From: Buzz <buzz@buzzmallett.com>
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To: Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

Dear Commissioners;

I am writing this letter to oppose the granting of a sewer franchise for Knights and Don Pedro Islands to Environmental Utilities. I own property at 26 Palm Dr. on Knights Island.

I don't believe the need for central sewer on Knights Island has been proven. I was personally involved with the replacement of a 30 year old drain field on the island and was pleasantly surprised that there was no evidence of pollution of the underlying sands after all that time; no odor, no visible pollutants, just clean sand. And it was built before the current improvements to septic systems.

The franchise should not be granted to an entity with no experience in waste water management or construction.

I would like to build a house on my property and the prospect of this franchise being granted makes it financially impossible. I would have to build a \$20K septic system only to abandon it and spend an additional \$15-\$20K on a sewer hookup and lift pump station.

I am requesting denial of the above mentioned franchise.

Respectfully,

Walter Mallett
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