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From: Hannah Barker
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2022 10:56 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket Correspondence
Attachments: Subject Wastewater on LGI - docket # 01294; Environmental Utilities docket #01071; Sewer on palm island; Request for utilities on the island; Environmental Utilities - Wastewater Service to Little Gasparilla Island; LGI sewer

Good morning,

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20200226.

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From: Mandy Foxworth <mandy.foxworth@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2022 11:07 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Subject: Wastewater on LGI - docket # 01294

Commissioners, I am an owner on Little Gasparilla Island and am in favor and see the need daily why we need a wastewater system. When we purchased our home last summer, the first thing we had to do was get the septic system pumped out at great expense. Driving around the island you also can see older, un-regulated septic systems that are not installed or maintained properly and I hate to think about what's in the standing water when we have significant rain that floods the streets.

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V/r,

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From: Courtney DeFilippis <palmislandcourtney@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2022 1:52 PM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Environmental Utilities docket #01071

Dear Commissioners,

I was just notified that Environmental Utilities was denied a certificated area thus unable to provide wastewater to the barrier islands in my area.

I recently purchased a gulf front piece of land on Little Gasparilla Island and fully intended to connect to waste water when we build our home.

My family has lived on both Palm Island and currently living on Little Gasparilla and we've seen in person, numerous times, the septic drain fields over flowing throughout the islands....during storms and high tides and to the point we literally have to wade through feces to get to and from our homes.

Also, it is well known and fully understood to islanders when they sign their septic permits that they/we will be required to connect to sewer once available....I believe this is why there have not been requests for new wastewater service....we already know it is imminent.

In addition, I have sold real estate on both of these islands for nearly 18 years....the majority of my customers want, expect and know there is a need for a conversion to sewer from the failing septic systems now in place and that we live in an area where it is critical to our environment to change our failing infrastructure.

We are terribly disappointed to hear of this denial and sincerely hope you reconsider this decision. Please don't let the loud minority ruin this for the rest of us.

Sincerely,
Courtney and Matthew DeFilippis

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From: William Woodworth <mom2amy@me.com>
Sent: Monday, July 18, 2022 8:06 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Sewer on palm island

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> Dear commissioner,
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> We own a condo on Palm Island Resort. We know the resort is in favor of having city sewer connected to the resort.
> In the years that we have visited and now have owned, we have seen an increase in the number of homes and visitors. This number jumped greatly during Covid. At one point I heard there were over 90 remodels or new builds on previously empty lots. Many empty lots on the resort sold including the ones that are closest to Stump Pass. This will greatly increase the number of septic systems on the island and to our sewer system more.
> In addition, we have noticed a huge change in sea grass in rum bay. Where once there were beautiful grass flats, they are now covered in macro algae choking off the grass and eliminating its ability to filter the impurities and feed the sea life. Last week there was an abundance of floating bright green algae.
> If we are serious about protecting our coastlines, we have to move toward a sewer system.
>
> Terri Woodworth,
> 7277 Rum Bay drive
> Placida, FL
> Sent from my iPad

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From: Phil Trunnell <philtrunnell@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2022 9:03 AM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Request for utilities on the island

To whom it may concern,

As Charlotte County taxpayer and owner of several properties on Little Gasparilla Island, I implore you to support our request for wastewater utilities on the island.

This is both a quality of life concern and more importantly an environmental concern.

Sincerely,
Phil & Cheyenne Trunnell

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From: Frank Campoamor <frankcampoamor@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2022 2:26 PM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo
Subject: Environmental Utilities - Wastewater Service to Little Gasparilla Island

Dear Commissioners,

I am a homeowner on the island and just recently acquired an adjoining lot to build another home, both for our family's use. We understand that FPSC denied a certificated service area for Environmental Utilities. If I understand correctly, the reason for denial was that no one requested wastewater service.

I, along with my father, previously submitted emails as part of this process and our emails were in support of wastewater service to be brought to the island, which is vitally necessary. The water quality in the Gulf of Mexico and the bay have deteriorated significantly in the last 40 years since I have been visiting the island (typically 25-30 times per year).

The popularity of the island for vacationers has also skyrocketed the last 10 to 15 years which is putting even more septic tank runoff into the surrounding waterways. It is unfortunately commonplace to see in the bay floating items which look like sewage, and although while it may not technically be sewage, I definitely feel that it is a direct result of septic tank runoff.

To be clear, we are requesting wastewater service for both of our properties on Little Gasparilla Island.

Frank and Kellie Campoamor
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From: RANDY LEVY <randotter@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2022 9:43 AM
To: Office of Commissioner La Rosa
Cc: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: LGI sewer

We remain in support of a real sewer system on Little Gaspirilla island.

Septic systems on our lane overflow. It's disgusting and clearly not serviced on a regular basis.

8816 Grand Ave is our home

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