

**Yvette Gillespie**

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**From:** Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 2:51 PM  
**To:** Commissioner Correspondence  
**Subject:** Docket No. 20240032  
**Attachments:** Docket #20240032-SU; RE:Docket #20240032-SU; Docket #20240032 In favor of Septic to Sewer; RE. Docket #20240032-SU

Please place the attached in Docket No. 20240032.

Thank you!

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**From:** Fred Brown <fredwbrown@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 2:48 PM  
**To:** Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Subject:** Docket #20240032-SU

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Dear Commissioner Passidomo:

As an owner of three properties on Don Pedro/Palm Island I am requesting the PSC deny the EU application for wastewater service.

I cannot believe that this is even being considered given that our current septic system has worked great over the years and currently we have no monthly fees. I am aware of issues where (St. Petersburg) sewer systems will back up and sewage will go in the roads and the Gulf. I have never heard of any issues with septic spillage for the over 35 years we have enjoyed Palm Island.

It appears to me that certain people are pursuing this project only for profit at the expense of exploiting all the residences of Don Pedro/Palm Island with unnecessary hook up charges and monthly fees. **I do not see how anyone on the Commission would even consider adding to the financial burden for costs to replace something that is working fine unless they too are receiving a kick-back.** Even considering awarding this project to Mr. Boyer, who is inexperienced in sewer, and can provide no actual costs or monthly fees for this is inconceivable at best. Just because the resort's septic is aging and needs to be replaced, let them update and replace their own. All the residents on Don Pedro should not have to pay. **Please represent the people of Don Pedro Island and don't make people pay for something that is not needed to represent the financial benefit of a few.**

Thank you

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**From:** b OK <oneillkieler@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 2:41 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Passidomo; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Fay; Edward Small  
**Subject:** RE:Docket #20240032-SU

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Dear Clerk of the Commission,

I am writing in earnest to ask that you Please **DENY the request for the Environmental Utilities application** for wastewater service on Palm Island/Don Pedro. We do not want to see a private entity insert this utility (and themselves) for personal gain. The out of pocket costs to us to implement the service and ongoing monthly fees/maintenance expenses would be a tremendous burden for the residents of this island.

You will be receiving many letters outlining the rational reasons for denying the implementation of a central sewer service so I will not be redundant. Please take these notable arguments into serious consideration. The vast majority of residents do not support this application. Please know and hear my vote against any private entities coming to the island to introduce a sewer service not needed nor invited by the people who call Palm Island/Don Pedro "Home".

Sincerely,  
Roberta O'Neill  
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**From:** Jill Buhler <jillbuhler@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 2:20 PM  
**To:** Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Subject:** Docket #20240032 In favor of Septic to Sewer

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This email is to inform you that I am an owner on Palm Island located at 55 Bayshore and in favor of a centralized sewer system for the following reasons:

1. To protect our water and environment
2. Concerned about the aging septic systems and the fact that the majority aren't working properly due to the wear/tear over time.
3. Concerned about the fecal coliform, nitrate, Phosphorous and Mercury content in the water
4. Water quality reports show poor ratings time and time again, not to mention that the taste is undesirable.

There are many more reasons to make the change from septic to sewer. Think about the long-term benefits of this change! Please make the right decision for our precious island and ensure a sewer system in put in place sooner rather than later!

Regards,

Jill Buhler

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**From:** Susan Brown <sjbday@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 19, 2024 1:23 PM  
**To:** Records Clerk  
**Cc:** Office of Chairman La Rosa; Office of Commissioner Clark; Office of Commissioner Graham; Office of Commissioner Passidomo  
**Subject:** RE. Docket #20240032-SU

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This email is in reference to EU's application for central sewer service on Don Pedro Island. I have coming to this beautiful island for 38 years and have been a homeowner for over 15 years.

I am asking you to DENY EU's application for wastewater service. I have not asked for this service, it is being forced on residents.

There is no proven need for this service and the cost to homeowners is astronomical. From initial costs, from hookup and additional electric required.

Charlotte County is definitely going through a building boom that is destroying a lot of animal habitats. The destruction to put in sewer that is not needed will only disrupt /destroy our fragile ecosystem on the island which is home to a lot of endangered species like the gopher tortoise.

EU is not a contractor and has no experience in installing sewer. They are a private for profit company, again, with no experience in owning wastewater systems.

There is no proven need for sewer. I have lived on the west coast of Florida for 59 years. There are several reports of spilled sewage during storms from just Pinellas County only, which have polluted waterways incredibly.

Please, deny EU's application for wastewater service.

Thank you,

Susan Brown  
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