

Lisa Smith

From: Hannah Barker
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 10:36 AM
To: Commissioner Correspondence
Subject: Docket Correspondence
Attachments: RE Docket no. 20200226-SU; Docket #20200226-SU; Docket #20200226-SU; RE. Docket #20200226-SU

Good morning,

Please place the attached emails in Docket No. 20200226.

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From: Wayne H <wharriso48@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 10:30 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: RE: Docket no. 20200226-SU

Good morning Commissioner,

My name is Wayne Harrison and my wife and I own property located on Palm Island more specifically 16 Lemon Bay Lane, Placida, FL 33946.

I am formally requesting that the PSC deny the request from EU as identified in the subject matter herein. My objections are as follows:

- **Uncertain Cost-all to be paid by the land owner**
 - Hook-up fees have not been set, only estimated and have varied from 20k to 14k with no provision to pay this over time.
 - Monthly fees for this service is estimated to be twice the average cost paid on the mainland of which includes water
 - Fees required for electrical upgrades to my home for system pumps required by EU.
 - Cost associated to pump, fill existing septic systems and clear the area of vegetation and trees
- Damage to landscaping and trees around the home for access by EU and it appears an easement would be granted without compensation over my property from the house tie-in to main line
- According to Charlotte County regulations, it will require connection within one year of availability, even though your existing septic system is operational. So this is mandatory!
- Access to Palm Island is by car ferry. I feel that this single point of ingress/egress will be greatly impacted by this project causing more delays and serious traffic issues.
- From what I understand, this project requires a grinder pump which only has a capacity of 60 gallons. In the event of a power outage, once this capacity is met, will result in overflows. Are we required to have a generator back up to avoid this problem??
- A sewer line will be laid under the ICW and my concern is any major or minor breach in that line will be devastating to the environment.
- I am very concerned for construction oversight. Again, as I understand this project, there is no single point of recourse for cost or failure and no performance bond is being required. I have no confidence in the technical expertise of this contractor to complete this project.
- I also believe that there has never been any water quality testing in our area to justify the need for a central sewer system which should have been the first type of testing completed

Again, I am asking that this be denied. Palm Island is almost completely developed and the immediate need for this project is unwarranted and extremely costly to each landowner on the island.

Thank you.

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From: Peggy Erickson <Peggy@midlandinfosys.com>
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:45 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

I, Margaret (Peggy) Erickson, live at 111 N Gulf Blvd, Placida FL 33946 Don Pedro-Knight Island. Also, own a lot at 251 Bocilla Dr., Placida, FL 33946 Don Pedro-Knight Island.

I'm in opposition to the proposed central sewer. Therefore, I am formally requesting that the PSC deny Environmental Utilities(EU) application for wastewater service for the following reasons listed below.

Environmental Utilities(EU) has not provided reliable preliminary design and cost documentation from a licensed and reputable engineering firm with experience in this area.

Environmental Utilities(EU) has no point of general oversight. As homeowners on this island, we have the right to pick our contractor.

Environmental Utilities(EU) is a new company with no employees and no record to show they can obtain financing for or manage a project of this size with a total lack of experience of this complexity. In addition, environmental Utilities(EU) has zero technical expertise in this area.

Environmental Utilities(EU) reportedly runs the municipal water service on Little Gasparilla Island (LGI), which has a record of unhappy customers and service issues. I believe Environmental Utilities(EU) lacks the required technical expertise and continually fails to provide evidence in its capabilities.

I'm on a barrier island that only is accessible by a car ferry which would affect the rates and charges of the sewer system, maintenance, and emergencies. They have not provided documentation showing they are capable of a project of this magnitude and no history with this type of project.

I have extreme environmental concerns because they have no plan to avoid sewage back-up to prevent sewer spills into the Gulf of Mexico! In addition, the islands are home to a large population of endangered gopher tortoises. Heavy equipment traffic required by the sewer installation will affect the existing tortoise population because they have zero expertise in this area.

Before making your decision maybe you should visit our island and see for yourself.

The above reasons are why I'm in opposition to the proposed central sewer, and I am formally requesting that the PSC deny Environmental Utilities(EU) application for wastewater service.

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Thanks so much,

Peggy Erickson

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From: Linda Miklos <lindamiklos@yahoo.com>
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To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: Docket #20200226-SU

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Linda Miklos <lindamiklos@yahoo.com>
Date: January 24, 2022 at 9:35:29 AM EST
To: Terymiklos <terymiklos@aol.com>
Subject: Fwd: docket #20200226-SU

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Terymiklos@aol.com
Date: January 24, 2022 at 9:30:48 AM EST
To: lindamiklos@yahoo.com
Subject: docket
Reply-To: terymiklos@aol.com

Docket #20200226-SU

I am Linda Miklos owner of 40 N. Gulf Blvd on Palm Island in Placida Florida. Palm Island is a magical place. Calm, tropical and relatively untouched as communities go. We on the island enjoy abundant wildlife and natural foliage. We live a slower, more simple life. There is no bridge access to the island. On the island we only use golf carts, or bicycles and we have a ferry which we utilize for our cars to take us on and off the island for shopping or personal needs. There is no gas on the island so we use electric appliances and we are all on environmentally approved septic tanks. We are all very conscience and appreciative of the gifts we have here on the island and work and volunteer to protect it.

I am formally requesting that the PSC deny EU's application for wastewater service for the following reasons:

1. 1. The installation/construction of this system will disrupt the ecosystem on the island. Wildlife and their habitat will be forever altered.

2. 2. Residents daily lives will be severely and negatively impacted by construction, and construction equipment. The noise and access to utilize the ferry will exist for an unspecified amount of time.
3. 3. EU has no experience in this field. A miss step by an unqualified wastewater company could result in an environmental disaster.
4. 4. EU has not provided a cost analysts per unit.
 - A. Their monthly projected bill is twice the price of what mainland service is with no limit on increases.
 - B. They're requiring hook-up within a year with the price tag of over \$13,000.00 with no option of financing. Some residents on the island may not be able to meet that requirement.
 - C. EU has not provided an emergency plan in case of hurricane or power outage.
 - D. EU has not provided any information on oversight on the project, cost overruns or recourse if they fail to perform.
 - E. EU has not provided any maintenance or service information.
 - F. EU has not provided a cost analysis for the MANDATORY destruction and removal of our well maintained and perfectly functioning septic system at OUR expense.
 - G. EU is claiming ownership of an easement on my property without consent or going through proper channels for NO compensation.
5. 5. EU is unqualified for this endeavor.

For these reasons I am formally requesting that the PSC deny EU's application for wastewater service.

Sincerely,

Linda Miklos

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Lisa Smith

From: lburkhardt@charter.net
Sent: Monday, January 24, 2022 9:31 AM
To: Office of Commissioner Clark
Subject: RE. Docket #20200226-SU

Good morning,

My name is Layton Burkhardt and I own a home at 120 Bocilla Drive on Palm Island, I am writing you to express my concerns regarding Environmental Utility's (EU) application for wastewater service for our community. In addition to not requesting wastewater service, I question EU's ability to plan, complete and manage this project. They have not proven that they have the experience and expertise for wastewater service. The lack of information regarding the initial and future costs to homeowners is also extremely concerning. I think it's fair to say that our entire community feels that this project is being forced upon the neighborhood with little or no regard for homeowner's rights.

I respectfully request that the PSC deny EU's application.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Layton Burkhardt
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