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Re: Docket: 20200226-SU

Dear Clerk,

I own a home in Cape Haze, Florida, located at 375 Capstan Drive. As with many home owners in our community, at this time, I am only able to spend a few weeks out of the year in Florida during the Winter months, as I am still currently employed in New York.

Nevertheless, I am writing to protest the application by Environmental Utilities to install sewers in Cape Haze and the barrier islands for a number of reasons:

1. There is absolutely no evidence that our septic tanks cause any pollution runoff.
2. We have a very low population density. Our homes are all single-family dwellings situated on large lots. Furthermore, in the warmer months, the number of residents in our community dwindles down to less than 50%.
3. The application is made by a startup company which has limited experience and questionable financial wherewithal to complete a \$22,000,000.00 plus job in a timely, safe and satisfactory manner. Have the qualifications of this company been reviewed?
4. The residents of the communities involved will be saddled with an enormous financial burden, which has not even been clearly defined. A verbal estimate of \$19,000.00 per residence has been suggested, but, it has been put forth without any definitive cost estimates. Therefore, the cost burden to be absorbed by every resident could be substantially greater.
5. The value and the appeal of the homes in our community is enhanced by the beautiful, tree lined, winding lanes which contribute to the charm of Cape Haze. These lanes will be excavated to install the proposed sewers and will inevitably damage the fragile root systems of these decades old majestic trees. Who will pay for this loss in value to our community? Who will have

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to pay for the removal of these trees when they die off due to the damage of this excavation?

6. Inadequate notice has been given to the affected communities. Why is this????

My question: Who is actually benefitting from this futile, unnecessary and costly project??? Certainly, neither the environment nor the homeowners are.

Thank you for consideration. This questionable project must be rejected.

Very truly yours,


Denise Dahms

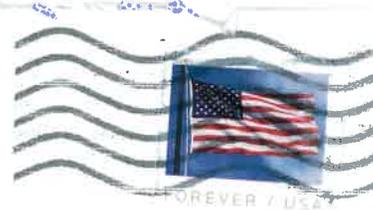


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