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Good morning,

I just wanted to pass along that the property owner at 8507 134th Street contacted me to request that he did not agree with the vacation of the right-of-way, Petition to Vacate Miller, and to have this item be postponed from the Public Hearing. He commented that he was aware that other property owner also had objections and were not going to be able to physically attend the meeting. I advised him of the options for attendance and that anyone may also send a written response to me and that we would add it to the file. In reference to the request to postponed, I checked with the CAO and they provided me with the section in the code that describes the options for continuance. I called Mr. Turngren back twice with no answer or option to leave a voicemail.

Thank you,

Josh Rosado

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Topic Petition to Vacate submitted by Landen Clint Patrick Miller vacating that portion of the 15 foot right-of-way lying west of and adjacent to the north ½ of Lot 4, Pinellas Groves, Plat Book 1 Page 55, lying in the northeast ¼ of the northwest ¼ of Section 29-30-15, Pinellas County, Florida, less that portion lying within 33 foot of the north line of Section 29-30-15.

BCC Agenda Date 8-24-2021

Your Stand on the Issue Oppose

Comments RE: Petition to Vacate submitted by Landen Clint Patrick Miller vacating that portion of the 15 foot right-of-way lying west of and adjacent to the north ½ of Lot 4, Pinellas Groves, Plat Book 1 Page 55, lying in the northeast ¼ of the northwest ¼ of Section 29-30-15, Pinellas County, Florida, less that portion lying within 33 foot of the north line of Section 29-30-15. For over 28 years, my wife and I have owned the property west of the area described above, located at 8549 134th Street North, Seminole, Florida 33776. In 2019, I retired from Pinellas County Utilities as an Assistant Operations Manager. While employed there, I was a First Responder, having worked a number of weather-related tropical storms and hurricanes, and participating in and observing County-wide storm-related recovery efforts. During Hurricane Irma, we were out of power for five days. Several years earlier, the power transformer on the power pole feeding my house from the northeast corner of the property at 8507 134th Street North exploded, sending fragments well into my front yard on the west side of my property. Repairs required access via the utility easement described in this Petition to Vacate. There are at least four properties receiving power from Duke Energy via power poles located in the back yards of the properties adjacent to the above mentioned easement: 8591, 8563, 8549, and 8507 134th Street North. Based on my County Utilities experience, I strongly oppose this Petition to Vacate. Loss of this utility easement will result in a significantly delayed response from Duke Energy in restoring power to four properties (8591, 8563, 8549, and

8507 134th Street North), due to lack of and/or restricted access to the power poles feeding the above mentioned properties. Here is the reality of the situation: during large-scale power outages, power companies work diligently to restore as many customers as possible to report positive customer restoration percentages. They focus on areas that are easy to accomplish and provide more “bang for the buck” in achieving that goal. Areas that are difficult to get to are placed at the end of the outage list. If this Petition to Vacate is granted by the Pinellas County Board of County Commissioners, its decision will ensure that my neighbors and I will be out of power for a much longer period than we’ve ever experienced, because access will be problematic or non-existent. In addition to the overall household electrical needs that would be impacted by a power outage, our household has essential medical equipment that fails once power is lost. Therefore, if this Petition to Vacate is granted, the situation will be exacerbated by your decision. Mr. Miller was fully aware of the utility easement when he purchased the property. Please DO NOT APPROVE this Petition to Vacate. Approval will put the interests of one tax-paying property owner above the interests of four other taxpaying property owners. In addition, we are concerned about the future land-use of this area, as Mr. Miller has multiple vehicles and equipment, an oversized shed, and other items that could very well end up along the fence line of our four properties if this Petition to Vacate is granted, and could potentially lower the property values of our four properties in the future. Sincerely, Randy V. Bellomo, Ph.D. Assistant Operations Manager, Retired Pinellas County Utilities Mary O. Bellomo, M.S. Senior Instructional Technology Analyst St. Petersburg College

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