

August 2, 2017

Honorable Commissioner Janet C. Long, Chair Board of County Commissioners 315 Court Street Clearwater, FL 33756

Re: Early Extension of 2017 Tax Rolls Pursuant to Section 197.323, Florida Statutes

Dear Commissioner Long:

Pursuant to section 197.323, Florida Statutes, I am requesting that the Board of County Commissioners adopt a resolution directing the Property Appraiser of Pinellas County, Florida to extend the tax rolls for the:

- 2017 Real property ad valorem taxes
- 2017 Tangible personal property ad valorem taxes

We also request that the Property Appraiser deliver the extended rolls to the Tax Collector of Pinellas County, Florida, on or before October 6, 2017. Because of the statutory requirements for scheduling the Value Adjustment Board hearings, it is likely that the Property Appraiser will not be able to provide a "final" certification of the tax rolls by October 6, 2017.

My office must have the tax roll by October 6, 2017 allowing us ample time to deliver the tax roll information to our vendor for printing, etc., and to allow for a timely mailing of the 2017 ad valorem tax bills. We are scheduled to mail these bills on or about October 31, 2017.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Charles W. Thomas, CFC Pinellas County Tax Collector

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c.: Honorable Mike Twitty, Property Appraiser Jason Ester, Sr. Assistant County Attorney