Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program

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Pinellas County Economic Development (PCED)



Our Vision:

To Be the Standard for Public Service in America



What is PACE?



- Allows voluntarily financing of specific property improvements through a non-ad valorem assessment implemented and managed by a PACE local government and repaid through collection on the annual property tax bill
- Used for "qualifying improvements" conducted by licensed contractors

PACE in Florida



- Originally established by Berkeley and Palm Desert, California in 2008
- Adopted in Florida in 2010 (F.S. § 163.08)
 - No State oversight
 - Authority and responsibility delegated to local governments

Other Regional Programs



- Hillsborough County (2017-2020)
- Pasco County
- City of St. Petersburg (Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF))

Pinellas PACE Nonresidential Program



- December 2017 BCC adopts Ordinance 17-37
- Code of Ordinances, Section 42 (Article XIV)
- Two interlocal agreements
 - Florida PACE Funding Agency
 - Florida Resiliency and Energy District (Florida Development Finance Corporation)
- Staff monitor performance, receive complaints, and issue reports

Requested Changes to Ordinance



- Allow for progress payments (PCO § 42-446(I))
- Allow for multi-family applicability (by definition, eligible participants are "nonresidential property owners")
- Removal of the 3-day right to cancel (PCO § 42-446(g)(3))



Thank You