



# Pinellas County

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**Subject:**

Proposed initiation of litigation in the case of Pinellas County v. F&H Electrical Contractors, Inc. - damages arising out of negligence.

**Recommended Action:**

Approval and authorization for the County Attorney to initiate litigation against F&H Electrical Contractors, Inc.

**Strategic Plan:**

N/A

**Summary:**

The County Attorney's Office is seeking authorization to file suit against F&H Electrical Contractors, Inc. (F&H) for damages sustained to County-owned underground facilities as a result of negligence on behalf of F&H. Attempts to recoup the County's economic losses pre-suit have been unsuccessful.

This action is the result of an incident on or about January 8, 2021, where F&H responded to a request for emergency repair in St. Pete Beach. In making repairs, F&H negligently struck a County-owned reclaimed water main line necessitating the County to undertake repairs in excess of \$100,000.00.

This authorization includes bringing suit against all defendants and for all claims that may be or become necessary to fully litigate this action.

**Background Information:**

N/A

**Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Jewel White, County Attorney

Christy Donovan Pemberton, Managing Assistant County Attorney

**Partners:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

N/a