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To: City Planning
From: Fresh Wind Fresh Fire Church
Re: Abandonment of Right of Way for unopened Avenue C(25th to 26th)

As you know, Fresh Wind Fresh Fire Church is building a worship and community campus at 400 South 25th Street (West side) in Fort Pierce, Florida. We own property on both the North and South sides of an unopened section of the right of way for Avenue C. Please see the attached aerial from the Property Appraiser's Office. Although you cannot see it from the attached aerial, the right of way for Avenue C is not opened anywhere West of 25th Street in the City, and actually terminates on the East side of 27th Street. Fresh Wind Fresh Fire Church is only asking for abandonment of the section of unopened right of way for Avenue C between 25th Street and 26th Street. The City may, or may not, want to consider abandoning all of it during this process, though.

This parcel that we are asking the City to abandon serves no purpose and the City derives no benefit from it. The parcel is approximately 50 feet wide by 280 feet; less than one third acre. We own all of the property on both sides of this section. No one else uses the unopened section of Avenue C today, and as best we can tell, no one ever has used this section.

The City has no plans, and has allocated no funds in any budget, to open this right of way, and clear it, build the subgrade for it, then pave it, and drain it, and light it, and put sidewalks and underground utilities next to it, and provide for bike paths along its edges. As the existing right of way is only 50 feet wide, this width is too narrow to allow for the construction of any public road meeting current City and/or County standards. Because we cannot build on, or use this right of way, we are faced with design and building obstacles that will reduce the ultimate value and efficiency of our improvements.

We believe that the City had conducted at least some initial due diligence for the abandonment that we seek. There are no utilities in it, and none are planned. We, and our paid professionals, have had several face to face conferences with the City Engineering Department and they have confirmed that there can be no future use of this property as a roadway. We have endeavored to have face to face conferences with all Commissioners, and so far we have been able to meet with four (4) of them. Without wanting to violate any

possible issues regarding Government in the Sunshine, let me simply state that we have been encouraged to file for formal abandonment of this section of the Avenue C right of way.

Our formal request is that the Right of way be abandoned for Zero value.

Phase 1 of our project is a worship campus followed by Phase 2 with a Community Help Center to service the young, the elderly, and those who have emergency needs. We suggest that our project will provide a substantial and real financial benefit to the City, and relieve some of its departments of real financial burdens once we are in operation. It is further noted, that this abandonment request at Zero dollar value will not set a new precedent to City planning procedures.

The City and Fresh Fire are both planning for and praying for City Growth. Through this abandonment process at Zero Dollars, Fresh Wind Fresh Fire will be able to convert a desolate place and wasteland into a productive property, and civic operation. Our plan is to build this One Million, five hundred thousand dollar (\$1,500,000.00) structure in our City. We believe that shows our faith in our City and our City Planners and City Commissioners. Fresh Wind Fresh Fire is asking for the same consideration as others who have participated in value adding projects in our City, and asking that the application process move forward with all good and deliberate speed. Thank you for your assistance!

Serving Willingly,

Pastor Arndrea Dampier

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