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**TO : Nicholas Mimms, P.E., City Manager**  
**FROM : John R. Andrews, P.E., City Engineer**  
**RE : Bond Release Request from Crown Castle**  
**DATE : November 12, 2019**

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City Manager's Office

As requested, this department has reviewed the request by Crown Castle to release the bonds currently held by the City as a requirement for performing utility work within the city's right-of-way. A bond is required by the City of Fort Pierce Code of Ordinances Section 17-7 when utilities are placed in the right-of-way.

The Florida Legislature recently passed SB 1000, which eliminated a municipalities ability to request performance bonds or security funds for work performed in its own right-of-way. The bill also takes away numerous other rights municipalities have had to protect the safety of the public when it comes to their right-of-ways.

Based on this recently passed legislature, I feel the City is obligated to release these bonds.

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