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Madam Mayor,

Good morning.

Thank you so much for your reply and assistance. I spoke with Linda Cox's assistant and she referred me to Sean Coss. He really knows what is talking about, he is an expert, and he helped me with all my questions.

I commend you, and my hat off to all the people that work for you.

Again, thank you.

John Fortino

On Dec 11, 2023, at 2:54 PM, Linda Cox <lcox@cityoffortpierce.com> wrote:

Good afternoon!

The Mayor has forwarded me this email. In order for me to better help you get to the proper department, I need a bit more information. Are the charges to which you are referring the City and County Impact fees?

**Linda W. Cox, MBA, CMC, FCRM | City Clerk| City of Fort Pierce**

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**Cc:** Bishop John Fortino <jsfort238@aol.com>; Linda Cox <lcox@cityoffortpierce.com>  
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What a time you have had! I am copying city clerk, Linda Cox, who can provide direction.

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Dear Mayor Linda Hudson,

This is John Fortino. I am not sure if you remember me. I am the owner of the lot at 1707 Francis CT. I am truly sorry that I write to you with this matter, but I really need your help.

We finally submitted the plans in May of this year to build. I had the drawings ready before the pandemic, but it was very hard to find a builder willing to go to Hutchinson Island from Miami. Finally we did, and then the pandemic hit us very hard. So after that, we were ready again and the immigration law from Governor DeSantis ruined the whole plan since the people willing to go had friends and workers undocumented and they decided not to.

So it took us back to square one. However thank God, the doors are opening again and now we are ready to move forward. As you may already know the lot next to ours is being built by Synergy Developers.

So we decided to give Synergy Homes a chance since they were locals and their model and prices were good. So I called them and after two months we are at the stage where we need to sign the contract. But there are few charges that Synergy is requiring and they are very very expensive and they are saying that are coming from the City.

Before we sign, I would like to clarify few issues with the building department. Would you please recommend someone in that department so I can talk to? I am planning to travel to H.I. this Tuesday and be there around 9:00 am.

That orientation from the city will help me to decide if we continue with the project or stop for good and sell the lot.

Best regards,  
John Fortino