

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Town Council Meeting on: February 11, 2025

TO: Mayor and Town Council

VIA: Kirk W. Blouin, Town Manager

FROM: H. Paul Brazil, P.E., Director of Public Works

RE: Authorization to Vacate and Abandon an Existing Public Utility Easement
Located at 599 South County Road, Palm Beach, Florida 33480
Resolution No. 010-2025

DATE: January 30, 2025

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Town staff recommends that Town Council approve Resolution No 010-2025 authorizing the abandonment of an existing public utility easement and accept the dedication of proposed utility easements located at 599 South County Road.

GENERAL INFORMATION

In accordance with Town Code of Ordinances, Chapter 106, Article IV, the owner of the property has made an application to abandon portions of the public utility easements located on 599 South County Road, which bisects the site from east to west and from north to south. The portions of the easements to be abandoned are shown as Exhibit A, sketch and legal descriptions of the proposed Resolution. An application fee of \$1,200 was received with the application for abandonment to cover direct costs and processing by the Town.

All existing utilities within the portions of the easements proposed to be abandoned have provided consent. In working with the utility providers, the applicant will dedicate two (2) easements, one (1) along the northern property line and one (1) along the southern property line, and relocate the existing utilities within the easements to be abandoned. The dedicated easements are shown as Exhibit B, sketch and legal descriptions attached. Undergrounding in the area has been completed.

Information packages were sent to the 18 neighboring property owners within 300 feet of the easement to be abandoned via certified mail on January 21, 2025. To date, no responses, a letter of no objection to the abandonment of the referenced easement has been received from a neighboring property owner. The abandonment request was also advertised prior to this Town Council meeting as required by Town Code.

This is an abandonment of an existing utility easement, no property is being gained by the owner. Therefore, a privilege fee is not applicable.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

This Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney for legal form and sufficiency.

Attachments

cc: Jason Debrincat, P.E., Assistant Director of Public Works
Patricia Strayer, P.E., Town Engineer
Craig Hauschild, P.E., Civil Engineer