



CITY OF PUNTA GORDA

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«ownername»
«Attention»
«ownerstreetprimary» «ownerstreetsecondary»
«ownercity» «ownerstate» «ownerpostal»
«Owner_Country»

March 11, 2019

Re: Parcel Number «Account»
Property Address «Property_Address»
Buckley's Pass Dredging Assessment Area

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Punta Gorda is considering creation of the Buckley's Pass Dredging Assessment Area for funding the construction of the new Buckley's Pass channel ("Dredging Project") to improve water access to Alligator Creek and Charlotte Harbor. The cost of the Dredging Project will be funded by assessments against real property within the Assessment Area and collected using the tax bill collection method as authorized in Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, commencing with the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2019. The assessment for each parcel of real property is based upon the total number of water access units (i.e. docks, slips, lifts, etc.) assigned on the date the assessment is imposed in accordance with Sections 6-6(c) and 6-6(j) of the City Code. A more specific description of the assessment program is included in the Initial Assessment Resolution adopted by the City Council on February 6, 2019. Copies of the Initial Assessment Resolution and the preliminary Assessment Roll are available for your review at the offices of the City Clerk located at 326 West Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida. Information regarding the assessment for your specific real property, including the number of water access units, is attached to this letter.

The total assessment revenue estimated to be collected by the City is \$3,340,356.00. The City intends to finance this project internally. However, you may choose to prepay your assessment in full (\$983 per Water Access Unit) to cover your share of the capital cost and avoid the additional interest, administrative, and collection

costs. Please do not send payment now. If the assessments are imposed, you will receive a separate notice of the date and place for payment.

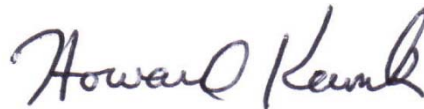
The assessment will include your share of the principal, interest, and amounts related to collection of the assessments. The maximum annual assessment is estimated to be \$399.95 per Water Access Unit. In accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, the City intends to collect the assessment in three (3) annual installments, the first of which will be included on your ad valorem tax bill to be mailed in November 2019. Failure to pay your assessments will cause a tax certificate to be issued against the real property which may result in a loss of title.

The City of Punta Gorda will hold a public hearing at 1:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, on April 3, 2019, in the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center, 75 Taylor Street, Punta Gorda, Florida, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed Assessment Area and the assessments, including collection on the ad valorem tax bill. You are invited to attend and participate in the public hearing or to file written objections with the City Clerk anytime prior to the public hearing.

If you decide to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at the hearing, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Human Resources Manager/Non-Discrimination Coordinator whose address is 326 W. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950, whose telephone number is (941) 575-3308, and whose email address is humres@CityofPuntaGordaFL.com at least seven days prior to the date of the hearing.

Questions regarding your assessment and the process for collection may be directed to the City's Assessment Coordinator at (941) 575-3302 or citymgr@CityofPuntaGordaFL.com.

CITY OF PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA



Howard Kunik, City Manager



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**BUCKLEY'S PASS DREDGING
ASSESSMENT AREA**

Property Owner «ownername»
Parcel Number «Account»
Property Address «Property_Address»

Total number of water access units attributed to property: «totalunit_text»

Amount to make full payment before loan: \$«totalassess_text»
(no financing costs included)

Maximum payment on tax bill: \$«maxannual_text»
(includes financing costs)

Expected date of first assessment: November 2019

Expected date of last assessment: November 2021

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