

RESOLUTION NO. 23-02-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING THE COUNCIL'S SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF THE FLORIDA KEYS AQUEDUCT AUTHORITY TO SITUATE A REVERSE OSMOSIS PLANT IN OR NEAR MARATHON, FLORIDA IN THE MIDDLE KEYS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, The Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority (the "Authority") was created by special legislation, chapter 76-441, Laws of Florida, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council of Islamorada, Village of Islands (the "Village Council"), finds that cooperation among local governments and the Authority is critical for providing essential water services in the Florida Keys; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that the Florida Keys is served by a 130 mile long transmission line that brings water from Florida City through Key West that is maintained by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, a new reverse osmosis plant is set to come online in Stock Island that will benefit Monroe County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is beginning the process of replacing the near fifty year old transmission line, but it is an expensive and years-long endeavor; and

WHEREAS, during the lengthy replacement process the transmission line is sure to suffer occasional leaks; and

WHEREAS, situating a second reverse osmosis plant in or near Marathon, Florida would allow the Authority to generate more water locally, which is especially useful during leaks in the transmission line and threats posed during hurricane season; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council is aware of the Authority's attempts to secure state and federal funding for their necessary water projects to supplement a local share; and

WHEREAS, the siting of additional reverse osmosis plants in the Florida Keys will enhance the health, welfare or safety of residents of the Village of Islands and all of Monroe County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. **Recitals.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated into this Resolution by this Reference.

Section 2. That the Village Council supports the siting of a reverse osmosis plant in or near Marathon in the Middle Keys.

Section 3. That the Village Council respectfully urges the Florida Legislature and the Governor support the Aqueduct Authority's worthwhile requests for water projects in the Florida Keys.

Section 4. **Authorization of Village Officials.** The Village Manager or designee and the Village Attorney are hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to implement the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

Section 5. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Motion to adopt by Council Member Mark Gregg, seconded by Council Member Henry Rosenthal.

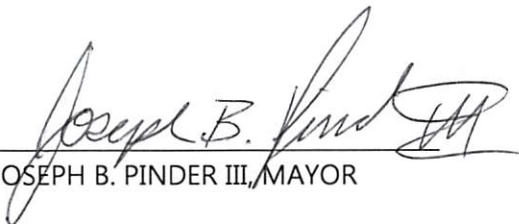
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FINAL VOTE AT ADOPTION

VILLAGE COUNCIL OF ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS


Mayor Joseph B. Pinder III	<u>Yes</u>
Vice Mayor Sharon Mahoney	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Mark Gregg	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Elizabeth Jolin	<u>Yes</u>
Council Member Henry Rosenthal	<u>Yes</u>

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 9th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.



JOSEPH B. PINDER III, MAYOR

ATTEST:



MARNE MCGRATH, VILLAGE CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
FOR THE USE AND BENEFIT OF
ISLAMORADA, VILLAGE OF ISLANDS:



JOHN J. QUICK, VILLAGE ATTORNEY

