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Subject: Fw: Public Comment Against Proposed Expansion of the Southwest Hernando County Solid Waste Collection Municipal Services Benefit Unit
Date: Tuesday, January 7, 2025 10:18:07 AM

include in the agenda packet please.

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Subject: Public Comment Against Proposed Expansion of the Southwest Hernando County Solid Waste Collection Municipal Services Benefit Unit

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Please incorporate this email into the agenda packet for the January 14, 2025 BOCC hearing.

To All Hernando County Board of County Commissioners :

I am not in agreement with any ordinance amendment regarding mandatory solid waste collection and the expansion of its existing area. Property owners currently have the option to subscribe for trash collection services. They should continue to have this choice without having their non-ad valorem assessments impacted.

I would be vehemently opposed if this ordinance amendment is in anticipation of any type of closure of the convenience transfer station located on Osowaw Blvd due to budget cuts.

Sincerely,

Mark Lucas
Hernando Beach

Colleen V. Conko

From: Marisol Calzadilla <sweethonestymc@netscape.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 7, 2025 9:40 AM
To: Steve Champion; Brian Hawkins; Jerry Campbell; John Allocco; Ryan Amsler; BOCC Citizens
Comments; Jeffrey Rogers
Subject: OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT AND A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE UNIVERSAL COLLECTION DISTRICT.

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Dear Honorable County Commissioners,

This correspondence is to express that I am not in favor of property owners in proposed designated areas having to be billed for solid waste collection services as a non-ad valorem assessment on their 2025 tax bill for solid waste collection services commencing in January 2026.

Residents currently pay an exorbitant amount in property taxes. Mandating collection services will add to the financial hardships encountered by many in this County. As for those property owners that are seasonal, an additional unjust tax fee will be imposed and they will not benefit from this amendment in the ordinance. They should not have to be mandated to pay the non-ad valorem assessment if they are not utilizing this proposed service year round. Moreover, it is not clear how this will affect countless property owners who own land in this County without dwellings who have no need for solid waste collection services at all. The only ones that stand to profit is the monopolized garbage and recycling services offered by Republic Services.

Is this ratification being proposed to eventually eliminate the existing convenience transfer station ? If this is the case, there would be many residents that would be negatively affected. Traveling to the other side of the County to utilize the main and possibly only transfer station shared by contractors and the entire County would be a logistic nightmare.

It is respectfully requested that the proposed ordinance amending “Hernando County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14, Article IV; Division 2. The name; Subsection 14-102 Definitions; Subsection 14-104 Creation of a Unit and the Legal Description of the Hernando County Solid Waste Collection Municipal Services Benefit Unit; Providing for Severability; Providing for the Inclusion in the Code; Providing for the Repeal of Conflicting Provisions; and Providing for an Effective Date” are NOT adopted.

For your consideration,
MC Marino
Hernando Beach

From: [David Snutes](#)
To: [Steve Champion](#); [Brian Hawkins](#); [Jerry Campbell](#); [John Allocco](#); [Ryan Amsler](#); [BOCC Citizens Comments](#); [Jeffrey Rogers](#)
Subject: OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT AND A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE UNIVERSAL COLLECTION DISTRICT
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Please vote "NO" to this proposal!

We are retired, on a fixed income and a family of two. We have no need or want the additional expense of this proposal. We are currently paying and using the services of the transfer station. If this proposal is passed will the current cost for solid waste be removed from our tax bill? Or is this just another tax?

Thank You,

David Snutes
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From: [John-Paul Reeve](#)
To: [Colleen V. Conko](#)
Subject: Fwd: Opposing Mandatory Republic Solid Waste Expansion
Date: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 3:02:03 PM

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John Paul Reeve

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Subject: Opposing Mandatory Republic Solid Waste Expansion
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Please Include In the Agenda packet under Public Comments

Dear Honorable Commissioners,

Please do not approve the expansion request that is up for a public hearing on Tuesday, Jan. 14, 2025. This is unnecessary and will only pose an increase in our property taxes and more financial burden for residents who can currently opt out of Republic's residential collection services. I hear there is a promise to current subscribers of a reduction in their bill. We all know that this is only going to be temporary and go right back up when Republic starts crying how they can't afford to provide services due to increased 'what-ever'.

Mandatory collections services do not allow for accountability and having the option of NOT paying if the services are loosey or not provided.

In closing, I am completely against Hernando County having any long-range plans to close and sell the West Transfer Station to save or generate more revenue. This is a vital land use area benefitting the residents of our county.

Please vote NO to any mandatory waste collection services.

Sincerely,

John Paul & Kelly Reeve
Hernando Beach residents