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## FW: Records Request - Hidden Lake

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Thank you.

From: Farrugia, Lucille A [mailto:lfarrugia@co.pinellas.fl.us]

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 10:31 AM

Cc: Powell, Angela E; Farrugia, Lucille A Subject: Records Request - Hidden Lake

Good Morning,

The information that may help you is as follows: The dedication on the plat dedicates all streets, easements, and public places as shown on this plat to the use of the public in general. The public includes the County in this instance. The drainage easement gives the County the right to maintain for drainage flow into and out of Hidden Lake, but does not place any obligation for maintenance on the County. The County does not own or maintain the contiguous lake known as "Hidden Lake". The County has a drainage easement over "Tract C", but does not maintain this easement. "Hidden Lake" is not a part of the County's pond maintenance program, as it is a private lake.

We are already at or beyond the allotted time required for no charge public records research for requests. Any additional information for this will require charges dependent on the person that will be required to investigate further, but I believe this information provided will answer and assist you with your needs and that there will be no need to further investigate. Please advise if we can close this request.

Thank you,

## Lucille Farrugia

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Please see attached. Survey has nothing responsive to this request. Question has to do with maintenance of a privately owned lake which has a platted drainage easement over it. I have attached the plat.



From: Farrugia, Lucille A

Sent: Monday, October 09, 2017 2:10 PM

To: 'rob@kellylawfla.com' <rob@kellylawfla.com> Cc: Powell, Angela E <apowell@co.pinellas.fl.us> Subject: Contact - Telephone - Public Records Request

Good Afternoon,

As discussed, and as a follow up to our conversation, this note will acknowledge your request to Public Works for the following:

Is there a maintenance program and is Hidden lake a part of that?

is there a drainage utility easement?

As you noted, it is Track C, around 1982 Hidden Lake Drive.

Your contact number: 727-733-0468, Robert Kelly.

We will review our records to determine if there are any that are responsive to your request. Once this has been determined, we will provide you an estimate of the cost to provide these records, if applicable. When the nature of volume of a public records requires extensive use of information technology resources or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance by personnel, there will be a special service charge as provided in Section 119.07(1), Florida Statutes. There is no charge for the first ½ hour of a search. We will then inform you of the estimated time and payment will be required to continue. Charges are paid up front.

I hope you find this information helpful. If I have misunderstood your request and you wish to contact me, my number is provided for your assistance.

Lucille Farrugia

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Forwarded message From: Rob <Rob@keilyandkellyllp.com>

To: "Farrugia, Lucille A" < farrugia@co.pinellas.fl.us> Cc: "Powell, Angela E" <apowell@co.pinellas.fl.us>

Date: Mon, 9 Oct 2017 18:21:48 +0000

Subject: RE: Contact - Telephone - Public Records Request

Thank you for your prompt reply.

I do want to clarify my request:

Hidden Lake is a platted subdivision (Plat Book 79, pages 54-58) in Palm Harbor, Pinellas County. "Tract C" is part of the Plat (reflected on page 58 thereof) abutting Hidden Lake Drive. I believe it is addressed as 1982 Hidden Lake Drive, but it is vacant land. It is labeled on the Plat as a "Drainage and/or Utility Easement". I assume that due to the dedication on the Plat, and there being no transfer of ownership of record, that the County owns and maintains the easement, and the contiguous lake known as "Hidden Lake".

Our request is to confirm that the county maintains this easement (all of "Tract C"), and has accepted "Hidden Lake" into its maintenance program.

Your assistance is certainly appreciated. I look forward to your further response.

Sincerely,

**Rob Kelly** 

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